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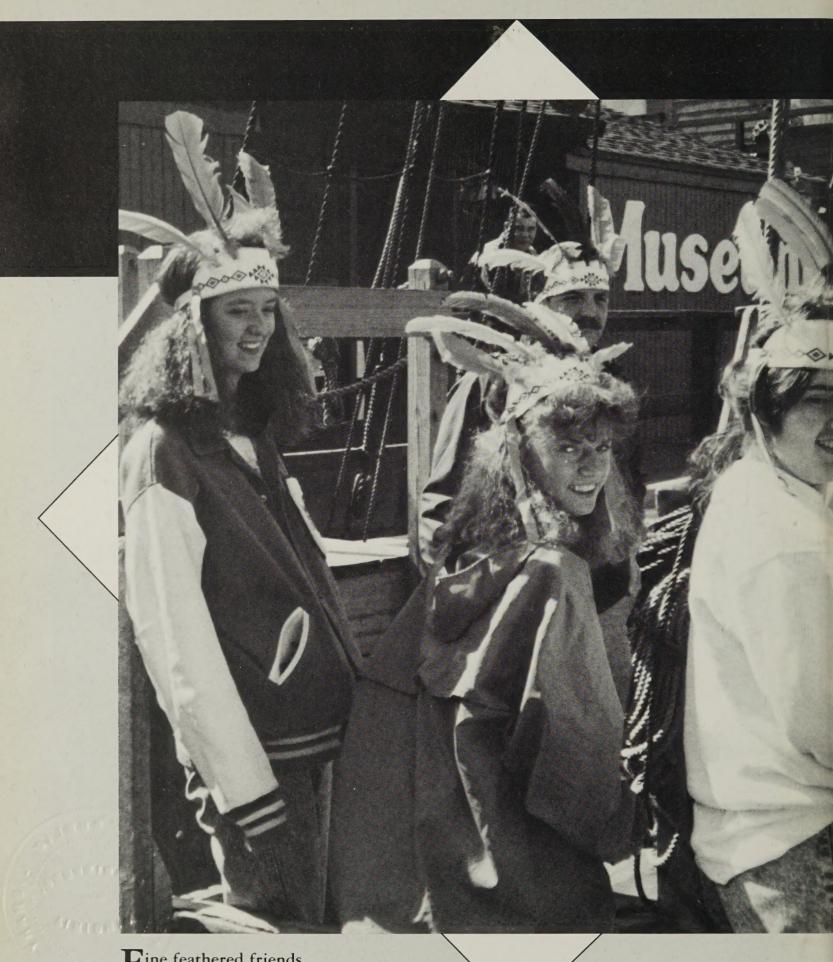
### Giles High School

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Fine feathered friends.
our participants of the "SEE" trip to Boston, Lory Stafford,
Julie Molique, Jenny Farrier, and sponsor W.R. Johnston, get a little
crazy with the souvenirs they bought at a gift shop in the Boston
Commons.

# NEVER QUITE LIKE THIS

he more things change, the more they stay the same. This proved true as students noticed the differences in school life even before it officially started, and they continued to notice them through graduation.

The year started off with eighth graders experiencing a major right of passage, when their first day of high school consisted of a new building, new teachers, and a new curriculum. But eighth graders weren't the only ones to experience change. Upon their arrival to school, upperclassmen immediately noticed the changes that had been made to the school over the summer. A new stone patio invited everyone inside where there was a refurbished auditorium with improved sound quality.

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# NEVER QUITE LIKE THIS

There were new faces everywhere including those of Mr. Jerry Huffman, office systems instructor, and Ms. Linda Knott, special education teacher.

Even academics underwent changes. A satellite dish and fax machine allowed access to the electronic Latin classroom. NRCC classes were introduced, offering college credit for courses such as calculus, biology, history, and English. And for the first time ever, underclassmen had the opportunity to become exempt from exams.

Winter brought no snow and unseasonably warm weather, and the Girls' Varsity Basketball and Volleyball teams heated things up a little more by bringing home their first regional championships and state contentions.

Spring brought an abundance of rain and the first all-day family life seminar for juniors and seniors. The seminar supplemented the family life classes taught in eighth through tenth grade P.E. classes. Then for the first time ever, graduation ceremonies were held on the night of the last day of school.

Whether it was in sports, academics, or just in everyday life, there were a lot of changes in a school year that was NEVER QUITE LIKE THIS!

- Kevin McDaniel



Twice the spirit.
wins Valen and Tyree West help decorate the winning senior hall for homecoming. Throughout the year, spirit was a dominate emotion in just about everyone.

Slowly but surely.

enior Chris Shaver and his date junior
Julie Molique slow dance to "Always" at
Snow Court.

Bagladies.
ecause of a brisk day, juniors Melissa Hinchee, Suzanne Eaton, and Emily Williams lay on the stone walkway in Harvard Square to soak up some warmth on their trip to Boston.











# Passing away the time. artaking the advantages of and unusually warm winter day, juniors Kelvin Dooley, Mike Slusser, and J.J. Johnson play some basketball at the "slab" at King Johnston school.

n over their heads.

Instead of returning to Castle Rock after their senior picnic was cut short by the 100 degree weather, Lory Stafford, Tammy Adkins, Jennie Adams, and Stacy Morris brave the heat by spending the rest of the afternoon in Stacy's pool.





dent life, an everchanging collage of sights, sounds, and experiences.

Students spent their summer relaxing, vacationing, and working. And in the fall, they returned to school to see that many changes had taken place in their absence.

In October, the homecoming colors of red, white, and blue spangled the halls of the school and the streets of Pearisburg. Many students participated in the annual homecoming parade, and to everyone's surprise there was a special, unexpected outdoor pep rally held on the front lawn of the school.

Winter brought Snow Court, followed by Christmas vacation when students could enjoy a much needed break from school. The new year meant studying for mid-term exams for many students, and throughout the winter the lack of snow allowed

students to get out and be more

Spring then arrived, bringing an extra long Easter break, and then in May came Prom. The school year ended on June 7, with the seniors receiving their diplomas at the end of the commencement exercises.

With classes, studying, homework, jobs, and sports practices, getting through the school year was sometimes a tough process; but even in a very demanding scholastic environment, friendships and fun times provided a refreshing change. In the little bit of spare time there was, students went to parties, attended sports events, participated in club functions, or just hung out with friends as a means of relaxation. Other preferred simpler pastimes, such as reading, listening to music, or just being with family. But however they spent their time, it was sure to be said, there was never a dull moment!

- Kevin McDaniel

### SUMMER

### ... The Never-ending Weekend

ummer vacation was a time to release 180 days of schools anxiety. There were no books, reports, teachers, lockers, homework and most importantly, no alarm clocks. "With no alarm clock I could sleep until 1:00 if I wanted to," said junior Sherry Colley.

People chose to spend their "time-off" in many ways. While some stayed close to home and enjoyed the local pools, others traveled to the mountains, the countryside and most definitely, the beach.

Without a doubt, one of the most popular summer vacation spots was the beach. Students enjoyed baking their bodies on hot sandy beaches and cooling off in the rolling salty ocean. Some families made the beach an annual event, rain or shine. Others went when the mood struck. "With my family, the beach is always on our summer agenda," stated senior Sharon Hackney.

While some students were having a fun filled break, others were out experimenting in the working world. "I wish I could be out having fun, but I need to make the money first," said senior Christy Williams. Even those students who worked said they often found time to take a break.

Although summer activities differed, everyone took time to keep in touch and have a weekly meeting at Hardee's.

— Travis Hale



Put the pedal to the medal. Senior Sharon Hackney races her Grand Prix engine during "the family" vacation at Myrtle Beach. "Mountain Mama."
Senior Shannon Eaton "rolls" through a stream at Little Meadows.





"I love summer because I don't have to put up with silly things at school!"
—senior Melissa Kirk



Soaking it all in. Senior Josh Tate, Junior Serena Vass, and Senior Chris Kellison spend a sunny summer day at the Pearisburg Town Pool.

Work on the farm is never done! Seniors Dana Moye and Travis Hale feed Walbash cows on an early summer morning.





Catching the rays. Freshman Paige Allen enjoys the sun at the Giles Country Club Pool.

Roughing it!
Seniors Melissa Kirk, Kim Fisher, and
Sharon Hackney huddle around their
camp fire in the morning after the "night in
the woods.

### As Summer Fizzles, Students Head

## BACK TO THE BOOKS!

he September sun peeked through the early morning clouds, and its light and warmth fell upon the school. Inside, emptiness reigned, awaiting the return of bustling hallways, full classrooms, and the familiar spirit that returns at the beginning of school.

Throughout the summer, the school staff prepared for the new school year. As floors were waxed and the auditorium was improved, the school became more and more inviting. Office staff completed records and guidance counselors worked throughout the summer scheduling classes. By August twenty-eighth, students had bought clothes and supplies, and had relished the last of their summer fun. The prevalent atti-

tude was summed up by senior Jo Hardy who said, "It's like, where did summer go?"

Daybreak eventually turned into the end of summer break as students began pulling into the parking lot and arriving in buses. The day held many surprises, especially for eighth graders experiencing their first full day of high school. Students returning to their old locker found it was no longer their locker after all, since lockers had been reassigned to everyone. In gym classes, students sported a new design of gym uniforms with bright red tee-shirts. A new stone patio invited everyone inside where there were new teachers and students to meet.

- Kevin McDaniel



First day of college. Seniors Stacy Morris, Ginny Guthrie, Joe Coffey, Stacy Hutchison, Angela Lester, and Shelley Young work on their first assignment in their NRCC math class.

Conversation over breakfast.
While in the parking lot waiting for the 8:20 bell to ring, seniors Curtis Coleman, Chris Crews, and J-me Brown talk about what they did over the summer, and what they plan to do throughout the new school year.









Hangin' around. Robert Conley, Debbie Snidow, and Kim McGuire, talk in the halls before the 8:35 bell. Students had around 15 minutes each morning to socialize and take care of other business before classes began.

Grand Entrance. Seniors Dana Moye and Stacy Morris and sophomore Tonya Anderson walk across the new stone patio upon entering the school.



K. McDaniel



"The first day of school only meant there were 179 days until summer vacation!"

> — senior Jennie Adams



Keybored! Students in Mr. Jerry Huffman's keyboarding applications class jumped right in and began their typing lessons on the first day of school.

#### Not Just Another

### YEAR IN THE LIFE

aughs echoed from the balloonfilled meeting room as the people watched the 25 year old video tape. They saw themselves younger, their clothes and hair outdated. They pulled out the yearbook and while browsing through the photos and copy remembered what their last year of high school was like as part of the class of 1991.

During August seniors showed up to the school to have their portraits made. Within a couple of weeks they had received their proofs, and had chosen which pose they wanted in the yearbook. While some ordered from the school photographer, Max Ward Delmar, others chose Glenn's Photography of Blacksburg, or Stafford Studio in Pearisburg. In any case, portraits cost anywhere from \$60 to \$360.

When seniors returned to school after their summer vacation they immediately began discovering the perks of their new title. Besides being "top dog" in the school, they also got to leave for lunch three minutes earlier than underclassmen. Then as the first assembly came, the senior class experienced the honor of having the entire school stand and watch intently as they walked in.

In fall, the seniors purchased their memory books, senior stationery, and all of the other senior paraphernalia. The cost of these items ranged from \$15 for the gown rental, cap, and diploma cover, to about \$200 for "the works". And during homecoming the senior class won the hall decorating contest and the spirit stick competition at the outdoor pep rally.

Winter came, and seniors bought their sweatshirts for \$16 and \$18. They could choose between hooded or crew neck. The design on the black or blue shirts was a cat drawn by Valen West and Joe Allen.

In spring, "senioritis" peaked as the senior class entered the busiest part of the year. In April, the senior class lost to the "senior citizens" in the senior vs. faculty basketball game.

Then in May, as the temperatures topped 100 degrees, they went on their annual trip to Barter theater where they saw Scapin, they attended prom, received their caps and gowns which they wore to the awards assembly to receive scholarships

and departmental awards, participated in their unofficial "senior skip day", and attended the senior picnic on the 31st. Unfortunately, the picnic was cut short due to early dismissal of school because of the hot weather. But most seniors returned to Castle Rock to get back in the pool or to finish their golf game.

The evening of June 2 brought the baccalaureate, delivered by Mr. Bob Wilburn. The weather cooled, but expectations and anxiousness didn't as everyone awaited June 7—graduation night. After everyone received their diplomas, most went to the party at Tony Martin's or to Angela Lester's party at the Pearisburg Town Pool.

Seniors had one last time with their friends during "senior beach week", and by fall when it was time to start college or work, many looked back on their memories, and vowed never to forget the good times and good friends that came with being a senior.

- Kevin McDaniel





Can I have your autograph? Sharon Hackney, Diane Price, and Paula Suttle spend the last half of their lunch period signing each other's memory books they had received in their English classes.

"And the award goes to ..."
Kevin McDaniel and Travis Hale dedicate
the 1991 Shield to Mrs. Laura McGraw at
the senior awards assembly. Mrs. McGraw
was given a silver platter as her dedication
gift.



Wave it proud.
Mrs. Karen Yolton gives Michelle Jennings, and the rest of her first period CP English class, an American flag. The flags were selected by Hometown Pharmacy as its gift to the senior class in honor of the Persian Gulf troops.





#### Luncheon Off the Grass.

Seniors, in hopes of escaping the ants on the ground, eat their lunch on the patio of an abandoned building. The students packed their lunches and brought coolers and after the play had a picnic in the park across from the *Barter Theater*.



"It's been real . . . !" - Billy Farrier and Chris Kellison on what it was like to be a senior.











Easy as One, Two, Three! Josh Tate, Wes Randel, and Tommy Breeding make sure Dana Moye gets her turn in the pool (whether or not she wants

All tied up. Mr. Bob Tavenner, the *Delmar* photographer, assists Todd Abel with his tie before he has his formal portrait made.

Working for the Queen. Senior Jo Hardy spends a busy Saturday afternoon as a cashier at the Pearisburg Dairy Queen.

Stocking up. Junior Lisa Law stocks beverages in the cooler at *PJ's Deli* after school.







Checkin' it out. Senior Sharon Hackney checks out a customer at the *Little Giant* grocery store in Pearisburg.



Drive-by shooting. Senior Jody Dalton gets up early each morning before school to deliver the Roanoke Times and World News to over 100 homes in Pearisburg.

Money pool.
On a hot summer day, sophomore Tonya
Anderson sells drinks and snacks at the
Pearisburg Town Pool.









"It's a love and hate relationship. I hate my job and I love my jeep. But if it weren't for my job, I wouldn't have my jeep." — junior Chuck Gentry

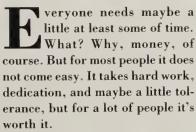


The order of things. Working at the Dairy Queen in Pembroke, senior Wanda Dalton waits on customers.

Preferred stock. Senior Kenny Jones prices and stocks canned goods at Food Lion in Pearisburg.



# THE GREAT TREASURE HUNT



The year may have brought a recession, but it also brought a raise in the minimum wage to \$4.25. While this enticed many to take on a job, other reasons included a cut in allowance from parents, the want of some "wheels", or just the lack of

pocket money. Senior Eddie Adams, who worked at the local Giles Country Club, commented, "It's a nice feeling to know that you've worked hard to earn the money to buy something you really want."

In town, jobs could be found at the local Hardee's, Dairy Queen, and Pizza Hut, plus other places such as Magic Mart, grocery stores, and local convenience marts. Living closer to Blacksburg than Pearisburg, some students found employment at New River Valley Mall, and some department stores and restaurants there. Senior Chris Shaver, who worked in Newport as a kennel helper stated, "It was a dirty job, but somebody had to do it. Besides, the pay was great, and the dogs loved me!"

Some say money is the root of all evil, but many area teens found that earning it was a learning experience which left them more responsible and appreciative of the money they earned.

- Kevin McDaniel



Shady conversation.
Junior Stephen Mertz in his shades, talks with senior Joe Coffey about the newly crowned court. Snow Court was a time for many students to dress up and dance the

Outside appearances. At the outdoor homecoming pep rally, seniors Sherry Meredith and Kim Fisher show their Spartan spirit by wearing red, white, and blue.







"Some days I like to dress up, and other days I like to dress down. I guess it depends on what mood I'm in."

— junior Emily Williams





Sign of the times. While helping decorate the senior hall, Curtis Coleman wears jeans and a tee-shirt to stay comfortable while he works.

Hammer Time! Senior Eddie Adams, in his "hammer pants", dances to "U Can't Touch This" by rapper, M.C. Hammer.





Casual Conversation. Seniors Shannon Eaton and Stacy Hutchison dress casually for a dance held after a football game against Craig County.

### Stepping Out IN VOGUE



magine Bart Simpson sporting a pair of "Hammer Pants", a Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles tee-shirt, and catching the latest episode of Twin Peaks. In 1990 this scene would have been very possible, as with the arrival of a new decade also came a motley display of fashions and fads.

"Save the Earth" became more than just a trend, as many people found it very in to participate in recycling and conservation, and take part in Earth Day 1991 on April 21.

When it came to clothing, students wore anything from ripped jeans and tee-shirts, to skirts or slacks with silk blouses.

HairSTYLE.

When it comes to fashion, hairstyles play a big part. Mrs. Linda Douthat of John-Paul Mitchell Hair Care Systems shows the Votech Cosmetology classes how to achieve the latest hairstyles by demonstrating the uses of a new rub-in conditioner on senior Mary-Lynn Greever.

Also popular was clothing with a war theme. Many tee-shirts and sweatshirts made statements such as, "SUPPORT OUR TROOPS", or "Peace". Similar messages were found on buttons and jewelry as patriotism became very popular.

New River Valley and Mercer Malls became the fashion capitals where style-conscious students purchased clothing and accessories from stores such as Fine's, Hip Pocket, and Hess's. Favorite brand names were Bugle Boy, Jantzen, Nike, Levi's and Guess?.

The malls also supplied entertainment. The cost of a movie increased from \$5.00 to \$5.50, but it was still a small price to pay to see big hits such as Ghost starring Patrick Swayze, Demi Moore, and Whoopi Goldberg; Home Alone with Macaulay Culkin; and Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles II. Music stores, no longer selling

A group effort.

A large group of underclassmen get together to strut their stuff at the dance held by the yearbook staff to raise money to print senior photographs in color. Shorts, jeans, and tee-shirts are often the most worn clothing at dances. LP's, sold cassettes and the newly popular CD's of favorite songs as Ice, Ice, Baby by Vanilla Ice; U Can't Touch This by M.C. Hammer (inspirer of the ultrapopular, ultra-baggy "Hammer Pants"); Epic by rap/hardrock group Faith No More; and the War inspired From a Distance by Bette Midler. Madonna inspired the summer dance craze "Vogueing" to go with her dance hit Vogue and in winter stirred up a lot of controversy with her song and video of Justify My Love. Popular television shows were The Simpsons, L.A. Law, The Cosby Show, and Twin Peaks.

The year differed from one month to the next, and as time passed so did fashions, habits, and trends. Senior Crystal Day commented, "I think fashions change too fast, it's hard to keep up."

- Kevin McDaniel



Racing for a Victory.
The racecar used for the SADD float earned second place in the parade.

Don't Throw it all Away. The Science Club shows their Spattan Spirit while at the same time promoting environmental awareness.







I Stand Behind What I Do... Senior Travis Hale and Junior Gary Stewart set up the Spanish Club homecoming float.

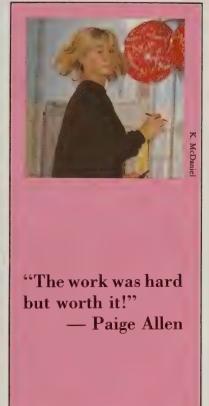
Eating Up All the Attention, Senior Rick Farrell and his friend follow behind the Science Club float with an appetite for a little attention.

A Lot of Hot Air. Seniors begin blowing up the balloons used to decorate their hall, which won first place in the hall decorating contest spon-sored by the Pep Club.















### Wild things happen in the

# SPARTAN JUNGLE!

hile the football team began their prehomecoming practice, various groups and clubs started to plan for the most spirited homecoming ever!

To promote a spirited student body, the cheerleaders organized hat and sunglasses day, jersey day, sweat shirt day, and red, white, and blue day. The Spanish and French clubs sold the student body bright red homecoming shirts to wear Friday.

At the beginning of the week, the individual classes started to organize themes for hall decoration, By Thursday, supplies had been bought and eager bodies were ready to complete the metamorphosis of the hallways. "There was no way we were going to lose this one," stated senior Tyree West, and she was right! The seniors were victorious in their last hall decoration contest.

Friday turned out to be the climax of the week. A fire alarm went off during seventh period. The faculty urged students down

Paris On A Truck. Seniors Shelley Young and Jo Hardy, and Freshman Michael Smith promise to "cut the Pioneers down to size!"

Franks for Franks.

Senior Shelley Young helps by selling a hot dog to Brian Pfister. Both the French and Spanish clubs earned money by selling red homecoming tee-shirts and hotdogs before the homecoming game.

the hall, out the front doors, and onto the front lawn. Sirens split the air. Two fire trucks roared in carrying an unusual crew of football players and cheerleaders, as the band marched behind playing the fight song. Students soon realized that the fire drill was a pep rally in disguise!

Then, as Larry Marion emceed the pep rally, Coach Ragsdale announced honors that players had earned in past games. The Spartan band entertained with their version of Surfin' USA and California Girls. The spirit competition ended with the seniors in first place once again.

Mrs. Babette Martin came up with the idea of the outdoor pep rally. She says, "It was something to get the students' adrenaline pumping." Preparations began Tuesday, and each person involved took a vow of secrecy.

The result was an undeniable success. Even the weather cooperated. At 3:15 students left school enthusiastically discussing the week's events. Junior Lori Tabor wrapped it up by saying simply, "I loved it!"

— Travis Hale and Jeannie Smith

# Under the Harvest Moon

bright full moon rested alone in the night sky. After chasing away a week of rain and cool weather, it spent precious hours staring down on the events held so dear by those involved.

The moon reflected the spirit of Spartan fans who had cheered their team through earlier triumphs, and continued their support, despite a narrow 10-14 loss in the fourth quarter against the Fort Chiswell Pioneers. The moon acted as a backdrop to the emotion surrounding the half-time show. Jenny, Amy, and April walked carefully across the field with their escorts, the crowd grew silent when, after anxious seconds, the winners were announced by Melissa Kirk. Geof Allen, football player/king, ran onto the field to accept his congratulations, then disappeared as quickly as he arrived.

The band began to play the alma mater as fans prepared for the football action of the second half.

Dancing until midnight released a week's pent-up energy. Then, as the moon disappeared behind a lonely cloud, students said goodbye to Homecoming 1991.

- Kevin McDaniel

The Crowning Touch. Senior April Wilson accepts her crown



Time Out for Half-Time. Juniors Melissa Hinchee, Amy Wright, senior Stacy Smith, and Ronnie Huff talk about the halftime show while taking a break at the Bandana Bar.

Can I Have This Dance? Senior Tammy Adkins and her date Raymond McGuire dance to the sounds of J. Patrick, J-104 D.J., at the dance held after the game by the Varsity Football Cheerleaders.



Just a Little Further. Junior Tyrome Anderson works his way a little further to ultimately make a touchdown in the 14-17 game against Fort Chiswell.







"I'll remember this night for years to come."

K. McDaniel

— April Wilson



Senior Princess Jenny Adams escorted by Louie Johnson.



Senior Princess Amy Ratcliffe escorted by Craig Gowdy.



Junior Princess Emily Williams escorted by Mike Slusser.



Sophomore Princess Michelle Mahaffey escorted by Benji Ratcliffe.



Freshman Princess Treeva Martin escorted by Shannon Miller.



Eighth Grade Princess Marlena Johnson escorted by Jason Lucas.

#### **Todd Abel**

Sports: Tennis, 8th Grade Track, 8th Grade & Varsity Football.

Clubs: AIASA, SADD, Chess, History, Band, Chorale.

#### **Eddie Adams**

Sports: J.V. & Varsity Basketball, 8th Grade Football,

Clubs: Drama, Newspaper Staff: Co-editor.

#### **Jennie Adams**

Sports: Varsity Track, J.V. Basketball Cheerleader. Clubs: FHA, Pep, Monogram, French, Spanish, History.

#### **Tammy Adkins**

Sports: Varsity Track.
Clubs: Pep, SADD, Monogram, History, Drama, SCA
Representative, Flag Squad.

#### **Geof Allen**

Sports: 8th Grade, J.V. & Varsity Football, 8th Grade, J.V. & Varsity Basketball, 8th Grade Track, J.V. & Varsity

Clubs: SADD, Hi-Y, FBLA, FCA, VICA: President, Vice

President.

Other: 9th, 10th, & 11th Grade President.

#### Ioe Allen

Clubs: Art. SADD, Drama, History, FBLA, Hi-Y, Yearbook.

#### Michael Belcher

**Sports:** 8th Grade & Varsity Football. **Clubs:** VICA.

#### **Rusty Bostic**

**Shawn Bowman** 

#### **Tommy Breeding**

Sports: Varsity Football: Manager. Clubs: FFA, VICA.

#### Jamie Brown

Sports: 8th Grade, J.V. & Varsity Football, 8th Grade & Varsity Track.

Clubs: Art, Monogram, Hi-Y, VICA, FBLA.

**Steve Burr** 

#### **Pam Burton**

#### **Butch Caldwell**

Clubs: FFA: Reporter, VICA, K.V.G. Other: VICA District Champion: Plumbing.

Jay Carbaugh

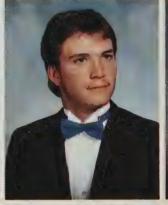
Clubs: FFA, VICA, K.V.G.





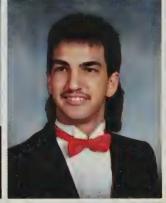


























In the Lineup.

Seniors Sharon Hackney and David Ratcliffe take time out of touring the State Police Museum, where officers who were killed in the line of duty are remembered, to have their picture taken with Sgt. William Saunders, one of the program's advisers.

D. Ratcliffe



### **Police Academy**

brought a wealth of exciting experiences for seniors David Ratcliff and Sharon Hackney. David and Sharon attended the American legion Law Cadet Program at the Police Academy in Richmond. For an entire week they wore the uniforms and followed the strict code of conduct of the Virginia State Police. "It was really cool because they treated us like trooper trainees," commented Sharon.

The daily routine at the academy included physical training, cleaning up for inspection, raising and lowering the flag, taking classes, and eating hearty meals.

Many classes were offered, such

as a driver improvement course, in which they learned how to control a car on the skid pan and under other conditions. There was also a firearms safety class where they learned how to shoot a Smith & Wesson .38.

Both Sharon and David agreed that it was a lot of fun and they learned a lot.

To conclude their week of reallife experiences, they had a graduation ceremony, where they received their diplomas and were dismissed.

When asked if they had a greater interest in pursuing a career in law enforcement both excitingly said, "Yes!"

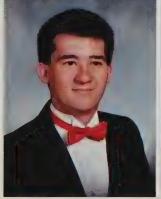
— Suzanne Eaton













#### **Mark Cawley**

Clubs: Art.

#### **Pam Clark**

**Sports:** 8th Grade Track. **Clubs:** SADD, Medical: Vice-President, HOSA: Vice-President, President,

#### Stephanie Clark

**Sports:** J.V. Basketball, J.V. & Varsity Volleyball, Varsity Track, Tennis. **Clubs:** Art: Reporter, Pep, SADD, History, SCA Representative

#### Joe Coffey

#### **Curtis Coleman**

Clubs: Drama, Science: Vice President, President, History: Court Jesture, SADD, Literary Society, Hi-Y, Newspaper Staff: Assistant Editor, Copy Editor, Photographer.

#### **Cheryl Collins**

Sports: 8th Grade Track. Clubs: Pep, Keyettes, VICA, SADD.

#### **Shannon Collins**

Clubs: Symphonic Chorale, Choral Ensemble, Art, SADD, Drama, FCA.
Other: Library Assistant.

#### **James Combs**

#### **Chris Crews**

Sports: 8th Grade, J.V. & Varsity Football, 8th Grade Basketball, Soccer, Varsity Track.
Clubs: Art, AIASA, Key, SADD, FCA.
Other: Upward Bound, All District Track, Region IV Track, 10th Grade Reporter.

Lisa Crigger Sports: Volleyball. Clubs: Pep, SADD.

**Brenda Cumbee** 

Clubs: VICA.

Missy Cumbee Clubs: SADD, FHA, VICA, Art.

**Jody Dalton** Sports: 8th Grade Football. Clubs: Art, AIASA.

**Trish Dalton** Clubs: HOSA.

**Wanda Dalton** 

#### **Angie Davis**

Sports: 8th Grade Track.
Clubs: SADD, Pep, FBLA: Vice President, VICA.
Other: 8th, 9th, 10th Grade Class Officer.

#### **Crystal Day**

Clubs: French, SCA Representative, Chorale, Band,

Majorette.

Sports: J.V. Basketball Cheerleader.

#### Jamie Dirico

#### Chris Eads

Clubs: FFA: Vice President, VICA.

#### **Shannon Eaton**

Sports: J.V. & Varsity Football Cheerleader. Clubs: Spanish: Reporter, Keyettes: Historian. Other: Who's Who, Junior Snow-Court Princess, Junior

Prom Princess.

#### **Elizabeth Epling**

Sports: Track, J.V. Volleyball.
Clubs: Pep, FHA, FBLA, SADD, History Club, Keyettes,
Monogram, VICA.



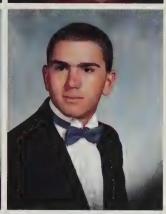






























#### **Rick Farrell**

Sports: J.V. & Varsity Football, Varsity Track, Varsity Basketball.

Clubs: FFA: Treasurer, Spanish, Monogram, National Honor Society, Pep, MACC. Other: All District Track, Boys State.

#### **Billy Farrier**

#### Kim Fisher

Clubs: SADD, SCA, Pep, Keyettes, Spanish: Secretary, Chorale.

#### JJ Fleeman

Sports: 8th Grade & J.V. Football, 8th Grade & J.V. Basketball, Tennis Clubs: Spanish FCA, HI-Y, FBLA, Monogram Other: 10th Grade Snow Court Prince, Junior Homecom-

#### **Adrienne Fontaine**

#### **Craig Gowdy**

Sports: Varsity Soccer, 8th Grade Football: Manager, J.V. & Varsity Basketball Manager.
Clubs: Spanish, Hi-Y: President, Drama, Monogram: President, Symphonic Chorale, Choral Ensemble, SCA.

#### Mary Lynn Greever

**Sports:** 8th Grade Track, J.V. Volleyball, J.V. Basketball, Varsity Basketball Cheerleader. Clubs: Junior Foreign Language, French, SADD, VICA.

Steven Griggs

Clubs: FFA, SCA Representative.

#### **Tammy Griggs**

#### Ginny Guthrie

Sports: J.V. Basketball Cheerleader, Varsity Football

Cheerleader.

Clubs: Keyettes, History: Secretary, MACC: English, All-

Around.

Other: Governor's School, History Day, Model U.N.

#### Sharon Hackney

Sports: Varsity Basketball Cheerleader. Clubs: Drama, History, Spanish, SADD, SCA: Historian,

SCA Representative.

#### Travis Hale

Sports: Varsity Soccer.
Clubs: SADD, FCA, SCA Representative, Drama, Key,
Spanish: Historian, Vice President, Yearbook: Ads Editor, Student-Life Editor, Co-Editor.
Other: S.M.A.R.T. Team.

#### **Blake Hammons**

#### **Tammy Hammons**

Clubs: FHA.

#### Jo Hardy

Sports: 8th Grade & Varsity Track, Tennis. Clubs: Monogram, SADD, Drama, French: Secretary, Science: Secretary, Newspaper Staff, National Honor Society.

Republican Party Line. Senior Travis Hale spent hours a day calling registered voters to gain support for Mrs. Barbara Stafford.

Seniors on the

### **Political Scene**

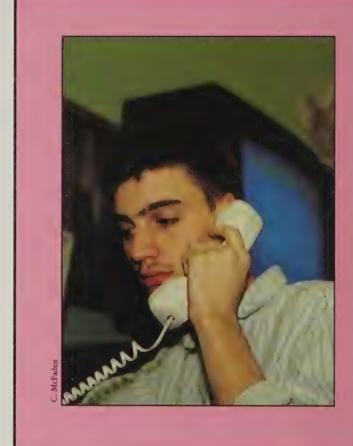
The clock ticked, votes were counted, and at the end of Election Day 1990, five seniors reaped the rewards of more than a month of hard work.

By late summer Mrs. Barbara Stafford, republican, and Mr. James Hartley, democrat, were nominated for the vacant 7th district seat of the State House of Delegates. Beginning in October. Sharon Hackney, Travis Hale, Becca Rader, and Joe Allen were part of the Stafford campaign, while Craig Gowdy worked for the

Hartley campaign.

Even though they were not old enough to vote, they still contributed by making phone calls to gain potential votes, hanging posters around the area, and preparing letters that were mailed to gain support. "It taught me a lot about government and gave me a chance to participate in politics," said Sharon. According to Travis, "It was neat to work behind the scenes of an election."

- Kevin McDaniel



**Christopher Higgs** 

Clubs: VICA, K.V.G., FFA: Sentinal, Art.

**Gary Hilton** 

Sports: 8th Grade Basketball, J.V. & Varsity Baseball. Clubs: VICA.

John Howard

**Cindy Howell** 

Sports: 8th Grade & Varsity Track, Cross Country.

Clubs: Monogram.

Karen Hudson

Sports: J.V. & Varsity Volleyball, Track, J.V. Basketball. Cheerleader: Co-Captain, J.V. & Varsity Football Cheer-

leader. Clubs: Pep, Art, Spanish, History, FCA, Keyettes: Chaplin.

Michele Huffman

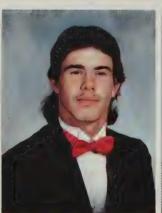
Sports: 8th Grade Track, J.V. & Varsity Basketball. Clubs: SADD, Drama, Keyettes, History: Treasurer,

VICA: Historian, Treasurer.

Other: National History Day, Model U.N

















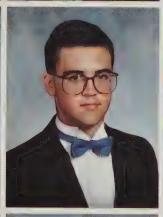


























#### Mike Huffman

#### Stacy Hutchison

Sports: J.V. & Varsity Football, 8th Grade, J.V. & Varsity Basketball, J.V. & Varsity Baseball.
Clubs: Hi-Y: Treasurer, History, Spanish: Chaplin, National Honor Society, FCA: Vice President.

#### Michelle Jennings

Sports: Tennis, Volleyball, Cross Country, Soccer: Manager, Basketball, Softball.

Clubs: Spanish, Pep, History, Monogram, Foreign Language, SADD, Band, Jazz Band, Drama.

#### **Curtis Johnson**

Clubs: Medical, FBLA, SADD, AIASA, Spanish, VICA, Art.

#### Kenny Jones

Sports: 8th Grade Track: Manager. Clubs: AIASA, SADD, VICA.

#### Louie Johnson

#### Mark Jones

Clubs: VICA: Parliamentarian, AIASA.

#### **Chris Kellison**

**Sports:** 8th Grade, J.V. & Varsity Football, 8th Grade Basketball, 8th Grade & Varsity Track. Clubs: Art: Chaplin, Sergeant at Arms, FCA: President,

#### Melissa Kirk

Sports: Varsity Track, J.V. & Varsity Football Cheer-

Clubs: SADD, Drama, Pep, History, French, Keyettes: Vice President, Sergeant at Arms, FCA: Secretary, President, SCA: Secretary, Historian, Chorale.

Other: S.M.A.R.T. Team, Girls State Delegate, 10th Grade Snow Court Princess, 10th Grade Secretary, 11th

Grade Reporter.

#### **Chris Lang**

Sports: Golf, Tennis, Varsity Track. Clubs: Art, AIASA.

#### **Neal Link**

Clubs: FFA, VICA

#### Angela Lester

Clubs: Pep, SADD, Art, FCA, French, History, Keyettes: President

#### Wally Lindsey

Sports: Tennis, Soccer.
Clubs: History, Spanish, Hi-Y, Key, FCA, Monogram, Drama, National Honor Society, Science: Vice President, MACC, Band, Chorale, Choral Ensemble.

#### **Anne Marie Lucas**

Sports: Track, Volleyball: Manager. Clubs: Band, FHA, SADD, French, Pep.

**Charlie Lucas** Clubs: AIASA, VICA.

**Amy Lugar** 

Sports: J.V. Volleyball Clubs: French, Art, Keyettes: Secretary, Pep, Tri-Hi-Y.

Ray Martin

Clubs: SADD, VICA: Secretary, Medical: Vice President.

**Tony Martin** 

Sports: 8th Grade & J.V. Football. Clubs: Hi-Y, VICA.

#### Ron Masri

**Sports:** Cross Country, Varsity Track, Varsity Basketball: Manager, Soccer.

Clubs: National Honor Society, FCA, Monogram, Hi-Y: Chaplin, Drama: President, French: Vice President, Junior Foreign Language, Chess: Treasurer, Forensics, Key, Chorale, Choral Ensemble, SCA Representative, MACC: Social Studies, Math, All-Around.

Other: National History Day, Boys State Delegate, Voice of Democracy, Who's Who.

Bill McCroskey

Sports: 8th Grade Football, Track. Clubs: FFA, VICA.

#### **Kevin McDaniel**

Clubs: SCA Representative, Hi-Y, History, Drama, French: Historian, Junior Foreign Language, Pep, MACC: Science, English, All-Around, Yearbook Staff: Co-Editor,

Student Life Editor.

Other: Stock Market Simulation, Who's Who, National History Day, Mock Trial.

#### Catina Meredith

Sports: Volleyball.

Clubs: VICA, Pep, SADD, FHA.

#### Larry Meredith

Sports: 8th Grade Football, Varsity Track. Clubs: Drama, FCA, VICA: Historian.

#### **Sherry Meredith**

Sports: Volleyball, Soccer Manager.

Clubs: SADD, Pep, History, Keyettes, Drama, SCA Representative, 8th Grade Treasurer, FBLA, Band.

Other: 11th Grade Homecoming Princess.

#### Melissa Mills

Sports: Track.

Clubs: SADD, FBLA, Art, Pep.

#### **Dulcie Morris**

Clubs: Pep, French, Keyettes, VICA: Reporter. Other: Who's Who.

#### **Stacy Morris**

Sports: Varsity Track, Varsity Volleyball, J.V. & Varsity

Football Cheerleader.

Clubs: Spanish, SADD: Vice-President, Pep: Vice-President, Keyettes, Planning Coordinator, Monogram, FBLA, History, National Honor Society, Reading Tutor.

#### **Jamie Moser**

Clubs: FBLA, Medical: Reporter, SADD, FFA.

#### Dana Moye

Sports: J.V. & Varsity Basketball, J.V. & Varsity Volley-

ball, Tennis

Clubs: FBLA: Secretary, History: Video Coordinator, Keyettes: Sgt. at Arms, SCA: Vice President, Secretary, Drama, Monogram, SADD, Pep, Yearbook: Sports Editor, Academics Editor.

Other: Who's Who, Freshman Homecoming Princess.

#### Cindy Palmer

Sports: Varsity Track.
Clubs: French: Secretary, SADD, Pep, Band: Drum
Major, Symphonic Band, MACC: Science.
Other: Majorette.



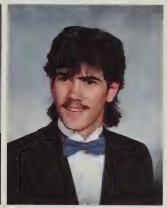












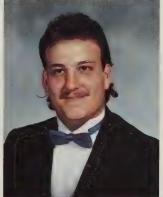




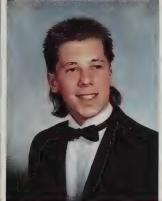














**Brian Pfister** 

Sports: Soccer Club: History, Hi-Y.

**Diane Price** Sports: Track. Clubs: SADD, FHA.

William Pyles

#### Becca Rader

**Sports:** J.V. Basketball Cheerleader, Varsity Football Cheerleader

Clubs: Pep, SADD.

#### **Wesley Randel**

Sports: 8th Grade & J.V. Football, 8th Grade & Varsity

Clubs: FFA, VICA.

#### **David Ratcliff**

Clubs: Band, FFA, SADD, Science, History, Key.

#### **Amy Ratcliffe**

Sports: J.V. Cheerleader. Clubs: FBLA, Secretary, Pep, Tri-Hi-Y, SADD, SCA Rep-

Other: 8th Grade Homecoming Princess, 8th Grade Snowcourt Princess, 12th Grade Homecoming Princess.

#### Jennifer Ratcliffe

Sports: J.V. Basketball Cheerleader. Clubs: Pep, FBLA, SADD, Peer Tutoring.

#### Shawn Ratcliffe

Sports: 8th Grade & J.V. Football, Varsity Track. Clubs: FFA.

#### Lisa Rice

#### Sergio Rodriguez

Sports: 8th Grade & Varsity Track. Clubs: Art, SADD.

**Larry Rogers** 

#### **Chris Shaver**

Clubs: Junior Foreign Language, Hi-Y, French, Drama, History: Vice President, MACC: Social Studies, All Around, National Honor Society. Other: National History Day, Model U.N., MGA, Mock Trial.

#### **Jody Simmons**

Clubs: VICA, FFA.

#### Sabrina Simpson

Sports: J.V. Basketball.
Clubs: SADD, Reading Tutor, Pep Club.

#### **Darlene Smith**

Sports: J.V. & Varsity Volleyball, 8th Grade & Varsity

Clubs: FHA, FBLA, Peer Tutoring, SADD.

#### **Stacy Smith**

Sports: 8th Grade & Varsity Track, J.V. & Varsity Basketball Cheerleader, Baseball Manager.
Clubs: Pep: Reporter, Vice President, President, Monogram, FCA, Spanish, Drama, History, Chorale, Choral En-

#### Lee Snidow

Sports: J.V. Baseball Clubs: VICA, FFA, SADD.

#### **Steve Songer**

Sports: Football, Baseball, Basketball. Clubs: HERO.

**Angela Spangeler** 

Clubs: FHA, SADD.

**Angela Spangler** 

#### **Lory Stafford**

Sports: 8th Grade & Varsity Track Manager, Varsity Soc-

cer Manager.

Clubs: SADD, Spanish, FCA, Monogram, Pep, History, Tri-Hi-Y: President, Yearbook: Sports Editor, Academics Editor, Junior Foreign Language.

Other: Who's Who.

#### **Amos Stanley**

Clubs: VICA, AIASA.

**Tracie Steele** Clubs: FHA, SADD, VICA.

#### **Paula Stone**

**Sports:** Track Manager. **Clubs:** Pep, VICA.

#### **Paula Suttle**

Sports: 8th Grade & Varsity Track. Clubs: Pep, Art, History, SADD, Tri-Hi-Y, Keyettes, FCA, Newspaper Staff: Photographer.

#### Josh Tate

Sports: 8th Grade Basketball, Track.

Clubs: SCA Representative, Medical: President, VICA:

Reporter, AIASA

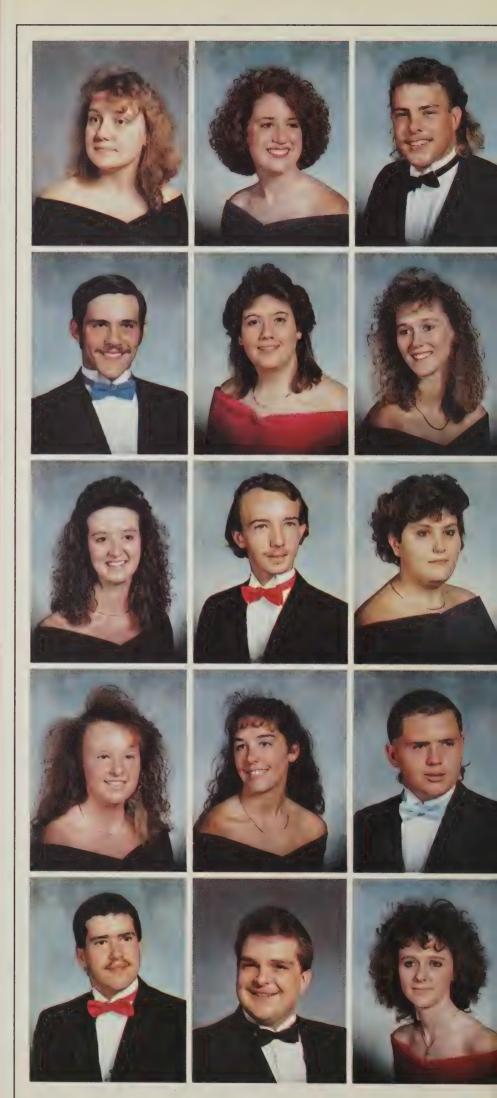
#### **Andy Tawney**

Sports: J.V. & Varsity Baseball.

**Barry Tawney** 

#### **Crystal Thornhill**

Sports: Varsity Track. Clubs: FHA, FBLA, Keyettes, SADD.



Fire Extinguishers.

Seniors Chris Kellison and Josh Tate prepare the hydrant for use in a small brush fire. Containing fires purposefully set ablaze as a means of disposal is somewhat one of the safest and easiest jobs of a vol-



#### Working in a

### **BLAZE OF GLORY**

louds of black smoke roll out of the dark, empty windows of a two story wooden frame house. In the midst of smoke and flames, flashing red fire trucks arrive, armed with men anxious to squelch the flames and salvage some of the possessions engulfed in the flames.

When these men arrive with their firefighting gear, they don't know what type of fire awaits them. They are trained to extinguish all kinds of fire. Tackling blaze and ash in fire-proof suits, these brave men risk their lives to

"I get a lot out of being a volunteer fireman.", stated senior Butch Caldwell, a volunteer fireman from Newport. "Other people's safety is our business."

As sophomore Beth Martin said, "I admire volunteer firemen because they are willing to do something for their community without getting paid."

Volunteer firemen earn no wages, but in return for their dedication and bravery, the respect they earn is immeasurable.

- Amy Wright













Pearisburg Public I.II rary

#### Tina Tickle

Sports: 8th Grade & Varsity Track, J.V. & Varsity Basket-

Clubs: Spanish, Drama, Monogram, SADD.

#### **Jerry Trenar**

Sports: 8th Grade Football. Clubs: FFA: President, VICA

**Torrey Trussell** 

#### **Keith Vaught**

Sports: Tennis, 8th Grade Basketball, 8th Grade Track. Clubs: Art: Treasurer, Pep, Key: Vice-President.

#### Steve Walker

**Sports:** Tennis, Soccer, Cross Country. **Clubs:** History: President, Drama: President, Hi-Y, Monogram, French, FCA, Chess, MACC: Social Studies, All Around.

Other: National History Day, Model U.N.

#### **Tyree West**

**Sports:** 8th Grade & Varsity Track, J.V. & Varsity Volleyball, J.V. Basketball Cheerleaders, J.V. Football Cheer-

Clubs: Pep, SADD, Art: Secretary, Drama, Keyettes: Treasurer, Reporter, History.

#### **Valen West**

Sports: 8th Grade & Varsity Track, J.V. & Varsity Volleyball, J.V. Cheerleader, Cross Country.
Clubs: Art, Drama, French, SADD, Keyettes: Sergeant-

At-Arms, Monogram, Pep. Other: Who's Who.

#### **Darrell Whittaker**

Clubs: Art.

#### **Jared Wilburn**

Sports: 8th Grade, J.V. & Varsity Football, 8th Grade, J.V. & Varsity Basketball, J.V. & Varsity Baseball. Clubs: Art: President, Hi-Y, Symphonic Chorale: Pres-

#### **Christy Williams**

Sports: 8th Grade & Varsity Track, J.V. & Varsity Volley-

Clubs: Pep, SADD, FBLA: Vice-President, FCA, SCA Representative, Newspaper Staff: Editor.

#### **Eddie Williams**

Sports: 8th Grade Football, J.V. Baseball. Clubs: Hi-Y, Art, VICA.

**Jessie Williams** 

Sports: 8th Grade & J.V. Football, Varsity Baseball.

#### **Mary Williams**

Clubs: FHA, FBLA, Drama, SADD, Reading Tutor, FCA,

#### **April Wilson**

Sports: J.V. & Varsity Volleyball, 8th Grade, J.V. & Varsity Basketball, 8th Grade & Varsity Track.
Clubs: FBLA, SADD, Art, Pep, Monogram.
Other: Triple Jump Record 1990.

#### Jay Young

#### Pam Young

#### **Shelley Young**

Sports: Soccer: Manager.
Clubs: Literary, Art, Junior Foreign Language, French:
Treasurer, SADD: Secretary-Treasurer, History: Coordinator, Tri-Hi-Y, FCA, SCA, MACC: All Around, Math.
Other: Model U.N., National History Day.



### **DESTINATIONS**

### College

Bluefield College — Dana Moye
Bluefield State College — Gary Hilton
Cambell University — Becca Rader
Carson-Newman College — Stacy Smith
Concord College — Joe Allen, Curtis
Coleman, Crystal Day, Travis Hale, April Wilson
East Tennessee State University — Sharon
Hackney

Ferrum College — Christy Williams
George Mason University — Craig Gowdy
Liberty University — Wally Lindsey
National Business College — Lisa Crigger
New River Community College — Jamie Brown,
Butch Caldwell, Cheryl Collins, Shannon Collins, Melissa
Cumbee, Wanda Dalton, Chris Eads, Elizabeth Eppling,
Billy Farrier, Kim Fisher, Michael Huffman, Kenny
Jones, Melissa Kirk, Anne Lucas, Amy Lugar, Ray
Martin, Larry Meredith, Sherry Meredith, Missy Mills,
Diane Price, Wes Randel, Amy Ratcliffe, David
Ratcliffe, Jennifer Ratcliffe, Sabrina Simpson, Steve
Songer, Andy Tawney

Radford University — Eddie Adams, Shannon Eaton, Cindy Palmer, Lory Stafford, Tyree West, Valen West

Roanoke Business College — Angie Davis Shenadoah College — Karen Hudson Femple University — Stephanie Clark Virginia Intermont — Jo Hardy
Virginia Tech — Jennie Adams, Joe Coffey, John
Howard, Stacy Hutchison, Stacy Morris, Brian Pfister,
Paula Suttle, Steve Walker, Shelley Young
Washington and Lee University — Ginny Guthrie
Wentworth Institute of Technology — Kevin
McDaniel
Williams and Marris Chris Gle

William and Mary — Chris Shaver

### Jobs

Todd Abel, Tammy Adkins, Thomas Breeding, Jay Carbaugh, Mark Cawley, Brenda Cumbee, Jamie Dirico, Marylynn Greever, Steven Griggs, Blake Hammons, Tammy Janney, Charlie Lucas, Tony Martin, Dulcie Morris, Sergio Rodriguez, Angela Spangler, Amos Stanley, Jerry Trenar, Jessie Williams

### Military

Air Force — Cindy Howell, Michelle Jennings Army — Chris Kellison Marines — Chris Higgs, Josh Tate

### Marriage

Pam Burton, Trish Dalton, Brenda Kast, Catina Meredith, Steve Songer



### Over. but

### **NEVER FORGOTT**

efore the sun managed to hide away behind Angel's Rest, its light and warmth fell on the proud parents who scurried about in the cool evening air in an attempt to find the perfect vantage point. Then, as the sun slowly slipped away, 126 anxious seniors marched in single file onto the football field. Little flickers of light from camera flashes reflected off of the white and royal blue gowns as the class took their seats. Their hearts pounded, their blood raced with anticipation, for this was the grand finale.

Graduation excitement truly began the week previous, when seniors received their caps and gowns, which they wore to the senior awards assembly, the baccalaureate, and finally on graduation night. The senior awards assembly bestowed honors and scholarships on merited students. Many civic and school organizations presented scholarships, and Mr. Steve Fitch bestowed departmental awards, superlatives, and the Presidential Academic Fitness Awards. After the presentation, seniors, still in their caps and gowns, gathered on the football field to have their group pictures made.

Mr. Bob Wilburn delivered his baccalaureate speech on the evening of Sunday, June fourth. Students and parents braved the heat and listened intently as Mr. Wilburn talked of the past and of the future. He said, "There is a lot of success in this class . . . remain successful throughout your lives." He added, "Always be honest, for honesty will always bring you a happier, better life."

Monday was the last day of school for seniors exempt from exams, but they returned Friday morning to practice the graduation exercises and to pay for their individual and group portraits.

Now, as the accomplished class took their seats, principal Steve Fitch addressed the crowd. He said, "I started at this school when this class did . . . I have grown with them." He then introduced salutatorian, Ginny Guthrie. Ginny, in her tearful joy said, "I am proud to represent this class . . . And every person I have know, every place I have been, and everything I have learned is a part of me, and you will never be forgotten."

Next, the remainder of \$35,000 in scholarships was presented, followed by the valedictory address by Joe

Coffey, Joe encouraged everyone to, " . . . always be successful, but more importantly always be happy. Joe continued with a story about a turtle that was found on top of a fence post. "The turtle," he explained, "couldn't have gotten on top of the fence post alone; he must have had help." compared himself to that turtle, and thanked all those who had helped him get where he was. Joe ended with a valuable piece of advice to his classmates -- "... live always with a commitment to excellence."

Next, the Symphonic Chorale sang "One Moment in Time" and "Friends are Friends Forever". Then as assistant principal Gary Clark called out each name, and the class received their diplomas, each graduate remembered the special moments of their high school years. Then with the turning of their tassels, and the tossing of their caps, it was over. Over, but never forgotten.

Kevin McDaniel

I've got a lot of class behind me. Valedictorian Joe Coffey gives his speech as the smallest class in school history listens behind him.



Taking it in stride Graduates Billy McCroskey and Kevin McDaniel walk across the field to their seats as "The Grand March" from Aida plays in the background.



Meeting of the minds.

Winners of the Presidential Academic Fitness Award come to the stage to accept their certificates from Mr. Fitch. To be eligible for the award, a student must have had at least a 3.3 GPA, score over the 80th percentile on Achievement tests, and had at least 12 academic courses in grades nine-

. I'll never forget you." Salutatorian Ginny Guthrie delivers her speech. In it she stressed her love for her class, her friends, her teachers, and her rel-









### **AWARDS**

Art Club	Tyree West	\$50
	Valen West	\$50
	Joe Allen	\$100
	Shannon Collins	\$100
Reading Tutor Club	Becca Rader	\$200
French Club	Rony Masri	\$150
Spanish Club	Travis Hale	\$250
	Stacy Smith	\$250
DAR Good Citizen Award	Joe Coffey	\$50
Harry Ragsdale Mem. Schol.	Joe Coffey	\$75
	Dana Moye	\$75
Machine Shop Scholarship	Andy Tawney	\$75
Drafting Scholarship	Jamie Brown	\$100
	Mike Huffman	\$100
	Ray Martin	\$100
VFW Ladies Auxiliary Schol.	Shannon Collins	\$200
Psbg. Mrchnts. Assoc. Schol.	Christy Williams	\$250
American Legion Voc. Schol.	Kevin McDaniel	\$250
VFW Scholarship	Chris Shaver	\$300
Psbg. Police Dept. Schol.	David Ratcliffe	\$300
Natl. Society Prof. Engineers	Joe Coffey	\$100
New River Alumni-VA Tech	Joe Coffey	\$800
Hahn Engineering School	Joe Coffey	\$1000
Lee-Jackson Found. Schol.	Chris Shaver	\$1000
NRCC Cent. Fidelity Schol.	Sabrina Simpson	\$1000
ACTWU Scholarship	Cindy Palmer	\$1000
Carson Neman Scholarship	Stacy Smith	\$1500
Soc. of the Cincinnati Schol.	Chris Shaver	\$3000
Bluefield College Scholarship	Dana Moye	\$4900
SCA Scholarship	Rony Masri	\$150
Ruritan Club Scholarship	Jennie Adams	\$200
Psbg. Jr. Woman's Club Schol.	Kim Fisher	\$250
Margaret Mason Music Schol.	Stacy Smith	\$300
GEA Scholarship	Crystal Day	\$300
Newport Ruritan Club Schol.	Billy Farrier	\$500
Matt Woods Memorial Schol.	Jo Hardy	\$500
Olive M. Williams Mem. Schol.	April Wilson	\$500
Jackie Stump Mem. Schol.	Jared Wilburn	\$500
Pembroke Telephone	Angela Lester	\$500
Co-op Schol.	Shelley Young	\$500
Roger Nance Mem. Schol.	Dana Moye	\$500
Michael Morris Mem. Schol.	Stacy Hutchison	\$500
Pearisburg Kiwanis Ed. Grant	Rony Masri	\$1000
Raymond Ingram Char. Trust	Wanda Dalton	\$1000
Robert C. Byrd Honors Schol.	Joe Coffey	\$1500
James Mongle Memorial Schol.	Brian Pfister	\$2000
	Steve Walker	\$2000
Celco Achievement Award	Ginny Guthrie	\$2200
Celco Math-Science Award	Joe Coffey	\$2200
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Future Plans.
Junior Emily Williams and senior Travis
Hale are in deep thought about what lies
ahead.

The way to a man's heart is through his stomach.
Junior Suzanne Eaton prepares a small meal for her boyfriend Mickey Williams on a "date" at home.







Joyride. Juniors Bunny Wilson and Larry Conley decide what their night out will consist of.



Together forever.
Sophomore Stephanie Kirk and senior Chris Kellison enjoy spending all the time they can together.

Coupled together.
Sophomore Tonya Smith and Matt
McGuire walk down the hall together after





## BEING ROMANTIC...

### And Loving Every Minute of It

Before work, before studies, before almost anything else, students usually spent more money, thought, time, effort, and energy on DATING. Although most students were able to maintain a cool exterior, quite frequently, the excitement, the smiles and the warmth would show through—especially on Friday and Saturday nights.

A typical Friday and Saturday night date usually consisted of a movie and dinner. The average cost of a movie/dinner date was around \$30. Some chose a cheaper route, spending about \$15 to renting movies and order pizza.

Some relationships began through common acquaintances, others began as blind dates. While, still others, started as a ride to a football or a basketball game.

When asked, some students knew they were in love the minute they saw "that special someone." Yet some believe that you have to get to know someone inside and out to truly love them.

Some students liked the major "couple" events like Prom, and Snow Court more than going out to the movies and out to eat. So, the next time you don't have a date for prom, or there's a new movie that you would love to see, call up a favorite pal of your's and see if they're interested. And, who knows, that one simple date could lead to a promising relationship.

- Suzanne Fator



Senior Melissa Kirk learns some exciting news from Senior Curtis Coleman in between classes.



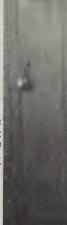


The Season of Brotherly Love. Catching her younger brother, freshman Marty Smith, under the mistletoe at Mr. Bruce Frazier's door, senior Stacy Smith shows some holiday cheer.



"Holidays give you a reason to let loose and be wild." — senior Todd Abel





C. McFaden



Santa Claus is Coming to Town.
"Santa Claus" pays a visit to PATS and TMR students. While there, he handed out gifts and led the students in Christmas carols.

All Dressed Up and No Place to Go. Chorale teacher Mr. Larry Marion dresses for the occasion. He had to get up at 6:00 a.m. on Halloween morning to get "into character" and still make it to school on time.





### A Celebration of

### A YEAR OF MEMORIES

he hall stood empty, quiet except for the slight pattering of footsteps heard from behind. Then, there it was, all in white, the ghost of Giles High School. Well, okay. So it was just freshman Tessa Farrell dressed up as a ghost, but she had a good excuse to be — it was Halloween.

Holidays meant a lot of things to a lot of people. Halloween gave students an excuse to dress up, and eat as much candy as they wanted. On the morning of October 31, the halls were full of students dressed as ghosts, goblins, or their favorite celebrity. Even a few teachers joined in the festivities and came to school dressed up in their favorite costumes.

Then came Thanksgiving, giving anyone an excuse to eat as much as possible. Then of course

came Christmas which included an 11 day vacation. Senior Shelley Young commented, "Christmas is my favorite time of year." "I just love Christmas vacation," chuckled junior Brian Songer.

As the New Year's Eve count-down rang in 1991, many teens looked to the future, and with the future came Valentine's Day. The front lobby stood full of roses of every color, (although red seemed to be the most popular), balloons floated high above the bouquets and teddy bears, all gifts to all sweethearts. Senior Dana Moye said, "I always love to get flowers. They make me feel special."

As with Spring, came warmer than usual weather, and an early Easter in March, and Spring Break. The break was longer than that of any other year in memory, and it was well enjoyed! As the school year ended, students looked to another summer, and another year of holiday memories.

- Kevin McDanie

In the Holiday Spirit. Freshman Tessa Farrel *floated* through Halloween as an amusing apparition.



Mr. Bruce Frazier, assisted by juniors Robert Lambert and Chastity Mann, and sophomores Beth Kirk and Treena Martin wraps presents to put under the Christmastree in his classroom. The gifts were donated to "Toys for Tots" to be given to underprivileged children.

Flower Power. Senior Dana Moye sneaks a peak at the flowers that began arriving at the school early on Valentine's afternoon.



### Despite Work and Play

## HOMEWORK MUST BE DONE!

t 3:15 each day students darted out the front door and got into their cars or on buses. For some, school was then over, but for most students, school was carried home with them. There was one thing left before they went off to dreamland . . . HOMEWORK!

Homework was something that almost every teacher loved to give more than a fair share of. From the teacher's point of view, practice is required to become skilled in an activity. One function of homework is to provide that practice.

According to an informal and highly unscientific survey, most students said they spend an hour each night on homework. The average student must then be spending 911 hours, or 33.4 days dong homework from the eighth to twelfth grade. "I don't mind doing homework. You can learn a lot in school if you have fun when you do it," said junior Rusty Stafford.

For most students, exam week was a week of doing nothing but studying. Each person had is or her own way of studying or learning a semester of material. Some students preferred to cram the night before each exam, while others didn't study at all. "You either know the material or you don't. There is no point in studying," stated Senior Craig Gowdy.

For some students, studying a lot, doing extra homework, and getting good grades was essential to getting into the college of their choice. "Colleges like to see people working hard and studying a lot. It sets a good example and tells the college what kind of student is applying for admission." said senior Ron Masri.

Some students who weren't planning on extending their education after high school agreed that studying wasn't just a waste of time. Grades are an important factor in getting a good job.

The unofficial consensus read as follows: when your sitting at home with nothing to do, why not study? Your future may depend on it.

-- Amy Wright



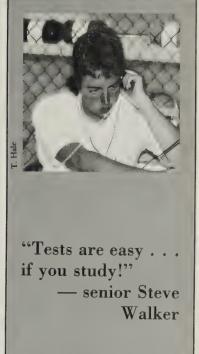
Mind Boggling! Senior Jared Wilburn jumps head first into his research paper during his lunch period.

"Gosh I wish I knew." Sophomore Sara Clark breaks from lunch to catch a "five" minute study.





Cramming away the knowledge. Junior Julie Molique studies Latin in the library before her test.





Why didn't I do this at home? During lunch, Sophomore Tonja Anderson studies for an oral book review while food is far from her thoughts.

"Am I supposed to know this?"
Senior Karen Hudson is trying her best to finish her homework before her next class.

Candlelight Conversation.
Senior Valen West and date, junior Dewayne Dowdy, talk with junior Beth Martin during a slow dance.

KISS me Baby! Seniors Sharon Hackney and Joe Allen have a little fun during a fast dance.







"... The entire night was full of pleasant surprises ..."

— Bunny Wilson



"... I'll never forget being princess for a night."

Katie Walker8th grade Princess



Ninth grade princess Christina Blankenship escorted by Brock Snider.



Tenth grade princess Angel Bales escorted by Travis Journell.



Tenth grade princess Melinda Sm escorted by Jamie Brown.



Strike A Pose. Seniors Curtis Coleman, Melissa Kirk, Travis Hale, and Dana Moye pose for a picture.

Courtly Love.
Junior Tammy Johnson and date Travis
Collins anxiously await the announcement
of the court.



## A NIGHT TO REMEMBER

t took exactly a week to turn the cafeteria into a "Winter Wonderland". The SCA gave a new meaning to determination and hard work, as they chipped in to make the most exciting Snow Court ever!

Individual preparations for the dance consisted of many things: picking up flowers, ironing clothes, making dinner plans, and getting new camera batteries to replace the old ones. "I liked doing all the things that go with Snow Court, because it makes the time between morning and the night of Snow Court go a little faster," stated senior Melissa Kirk.

Finally the time came for picking up dates. It was a nervous time for some because it was the first time they had met their dates' parents. After parents "photo shoots" were finished, most couples went to their favorite restaurants for dinner.

Many couples arrived at the dance a little early to get their pictures made before their "pictureperfect" silhouettes faded from intense dancing. The line for pictures was long, but the time passed quickly because the conversation was furled every time a new dress or outfit walked down the stairs.

The cafeteria rocked with the sounds of Jay Patrick, DJ. Enthusiasm peaked when the time came to announce the court. All the nominees walked to the front of the cafeteria and anxiously awaited the announcement. Members of the 1990 Snow Court were Katie Walker, eighth grade princess, escorted by Matt Belay, Christina Blankenship, ninth grade princess, escorted by Brock Snider; Angel Bales, tenth grade princess escorted by Travis Journell; Melinda Smith, tenth grade princess, escorted by "J-me" Brown; Amy Wright, eleventh grade princess, escorted by David Williams; and the Snow Court Queen was Amy Lugar, escorted by Wesley McCall.

— Travis Hale



enth grade princess Amy Wright esed by David Williams.

"I wasn't expecting to win at all . . . " — Amy Lugar Snow Court Queen

### LET FREEDOM RING

t was a Wednesday, 3:14 p.m. The windows were open allowing the warm spring breeze through the classroom. It teased the students who had already packed away their books and were anxiously awaiting the ring of that 3:15 bell which (at last) rung FREEDOM!

After school brought freedom and free time. Some students went to sports or *MACC* practice. Others tried to get some homework done early, while some others, "cruised town", or "hung out."

Whatever they did they were glad to finally have some time to do what they wanted to do. Junior Andy Harrel commented, "If I didn't have my freetime, I'd go nuts!"

Freetime was not limited to only after school. Many dragged through a very long week, waiting only for their private paradise, called the weekend. "Looking forward to the weekend is the only thing that gets me through the week," said senior J.J. Fleeman. Weekends maybe brought a foot-

ball game, a dance, or even a party or two, and most agreed it passed way too quickly.

Whether it was those few minutes in the hall between classes or a long holiday break, freetime was what everyone awaited. Junior Chastity Mann summed it all up by saying, "There are just something about those two little words, "free" and "time", that I just can't get enough of.

- Kevin McDaniel



A Poolside View.

Soaking in the sun at the Pearisburg Town Pool, juniors Leigh Clark and Bunny Wilson, and senior Josh Tate spend a sunny Saturday afternoon relaxing.

Shades of Fun.

Freshman Chris Albert and senior Todd Abel prepare to spend a hot summer day at the Giles Country Club Pool.







Sitting Down For a Little Chat. Freshman Stephen Stephens, senior Dana Moye, sophomore Rusty Newby, and freshman Brian O'Quinn sit in the hall and talk before the first period bell.



German Exchange Student

K. McDaniel



Dancing the Night Away.
At the dance held by the yearbook staff, junior Michelle Silver and sophomore Kristina Atkins, Suzanne Harrison, and Holly Meyers dance to the music of D.J. Mitch Hale.



Where Do I Find The Time? Senior Shannon Eaton gets ready for her dance recital at the Giles Dance Academy.

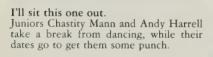
That Computes! Junior Tim Elliot and Freshmen Orion Scott and David Pfister take advantage of the new computerized encyclopedia on compact disc in the library.

Sweet whispers.
Prince and princess Rusty Stafford and Julie Molique slow dance in the midst of silver balloons and decorations.





"I'll never forget this night . . . " — junior Lisa Law











# CLIMBING THE STAIRWAY OF MELODIES AND MEMORIES

lack and white streamers, strung from marble-like Corinthian columns, draped across the entryway. Black and silver balloons clung to the streamers, complimenting the ornate decorations of the room and its adjacent partitions. The black background brought attention to the large sign displaying a complete explanation — "PROM 1991".

But this scene did not materialize without hard work and dedication. The juniors began preparations at the beginning of the school year, and continued working until the "big day." In fall they sold magazine subscriptions, and by January they had planned the theme and the basic design. As spring approached, they prepared their raffle ticket sale and set the

date for prom. Then everyone awaited May 4.

By spring, the juniors weren't the only one preparing for prom. Girls bought their dresses and had them altered. Senior Karen Hudson commented, "I went all the way to Richlands to buy my dress just to be sure that no one else would have one like mine." Dress prices ranged from \$100 to \$500. Guys rental for tuxes was a little cheaper ranging from \$75 to \$125, including shoe rental.

On the morning of prom, people picked up their corsages at Roller's or Pearisburg Floral, washed their cars, and did other last minute preparations before it was time to go.

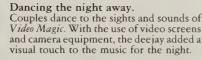
With Virginia Tech graduation ceremonies being held in Blacksburg, many couples opted to eat in Princeton, or at *Eric's*, the new fine-dine in Pearisburg. Some couples even went to the *Roanoke Marriot*. Senior Amy Lugar commented, "I've never tasted food that good, but at \$80, I'm glad he

paid for it."

By 7:00, couples showed up to have their pictures made and to admire the decorations made by the junior class and the Tri-Hi-Y. Then they danced and enjoyed all of the formal festivities, stopping only for the crowning of the court. Everyone watched anxiously as Ginny Guthrie and Geof Allen were declared queen and king, and Julie Molique and Rusty Stafford were crowned as princess and prince. The court then led the next dance to the prom theme song "Unchained Melody".

Then at midnight everyone departed. Some went to an afterprom party at senior Tony Martin's or at Mrs. Martha Snidow's house. And when it was all over, no one would ever forget climbing the "Stairway of Melodies and Memories".

- Kevin McDanie





The King and I.
After just being crowned king and queen,
Geof Allen and Ginny Guthrie lead
everyone in the dance to the prom theme
song "Unchained Melody".

Looking the other way.
Mr. Steve Ragsdale watch the couples dance while Mrs. Janice Gautier helps Mrs. Mary Beth Holton serve punch.



Into the groove. Seniors Chris Shaver and Jo Hardy dance to "Love Will Never Do Without You" by Janet Jackson.



Dunk it.

aphne Atkins of the Varsity Girls'
Basketball team shoots a foul shot in the
state tournament game against Middlesex
at the Salem Civic Center.

Evening Shade.

veryone on the Soccer team gathers together after their last game of the season to say their goodbyes.







Teamwork.

aking time before their game against Auburn, the Varsity Boys' Basketball Team huddles and gets psyched up to win, which they did at a score of 71-57.

Just a swingin'.
unior Neal Perdue, of the Varsity
Baseball team, practices his swing during an afterschool practice.



## Never Say Never

hirty years have passed since the Giles Spartans came into existence. The history of this school's sports began with a newly consolidated student body almost twice the size of GHS today. As part of a ten team New River district, Giles was never anything less than a serious contender in every arena. Even in the bleakest seasons, Giles would turn around and upset the district champs. And in the best of times, Giles went all the way to the state championship.

In the first year of single A competition, Giles entered the Mountain Empire district as a relatively medium-sized school. In competition against unfamiliar, unscouted teams, Giles did what Giles has always done best. They played well consistently, and when the opposition least expected it, Giles rose to a higher level of play and vanguished their foes.

Coach Bruce Frazier's eighth grade football team probably surprised the new district by winning every district game they played. In all likelihood, a few folks were astonished to see rookie coach Scott Humphries take Cindy Howell and Ricky Jennings all the way to state, on a reorganized cross country team.

Coach Bob Wilburn's golf team knew to never say never. They won

their fifth district championship in as many years. Brian Songer and Chris Lang went on to win individual medals in regional play.

Of course 1990-91 will be long remembered as the year of the female athlete at GHS. The Girls' Varsity Volleyball and Basketball teams broke all the school records and set precedents that will stand for years to come. Nobody heard them say it can never be done.

Spring sports were outstanding without exception. Both Boys' and Girls' Tennis teams placed second in district. In track, Wendy Abel and April Wilson broke school records, while Chris Lang went beyond that to place seventh in state in the high jump. Somebody forgot to tell Chris that first year contenders almost *never* win.

Coach David Witt led the Junior Varsity Baseball team to the district championship. The varsity team won the district championship, defeating Grayson, Shawsville, and Narrows at Calfee Park in Pulaski, even though it was rumored that they'd never beat Narrows.

For the less than discriminating reader, the operative word here is "never." The key to such an exceptional year of sterling athletic achievement was to NEVER SAY NEVER.

Varsity Football				
	Giles	Opponent		
	14	21	Blacksburg	
	29	0	Floyd County	
	0	20	Narrows	
	48	27	Auburn	
	28	6	Galax	
	10	14	Fort Chiswell	
	6	33	Radford	
	43	40	Peterstown	
	26	14	Grayson County	
	29	6	Shawsville	
		Overal	6-4	



Varsity Football
Front Row: Maurice Milton: Mgr., Geof Allen, Matt McGuire,
Jared Wilburn, Duane Dunbar, Josh Allen, Michael Belcher,
Tyrome Anderson, Raypheal Milton: Mgr. Row Two: Stephen
Mertz: Mgr., Torrey Trussel, Brent Rampey, Stacy Hutchison,
Michael Huffman, Joe Coffey, Billy Farrier, Dewayne Dowdy, Rick
Farrell, Coach Jeff Williams. Back Row: Coach Steve Ragsdale,
Jason Johnson, Jeremy Snider, Melvin Williams, Joey Caldwell,
Stephen Johnson, Chris Kellison, Stevie Steele, Coach Rusty
Kelley.



Fired Up! Seniors Billy Farrier and Michael Belcher are raring to go in the homecoming match up Fort Chiswell (10-14).

Charge! The Varsity Football line-up charges into their opponent Fort Chiswell (10-14).







## UNEXPECTED IMPRESSIONS

reaming fans, cheers of excitement and flashes of red, white. and blue roared from the stadium as the Spartan gladiators stormed the field, often leaving behind a wake of destruction. As many of their battles ended in victory, only a few, ended in defeat. During the last home battle of the season, the Spartans broke Peterstown's 27 game winning streak with an unexpected 43-40 victory. Coach Ragsdale described this win as a "high point" of the season. "After we beat Peterstown, it showed us that we could

play with the best of them, and it really turned our season around," said Senior Stacy Hutchison.

"After we beat Peterstown it showed us that we could play with the best of them . . ."

— Stacy Hutchison

With a smaller turn out of players than in past years, Coach Ragsdale said he expected a young and inexperienced teams but as the season progressed, the team and coaching staff concentrated on each player reaching his full potential,

vastly improving the team's performance as a whole.

At the end of the season, several players were recognized for individual play. Jared Wilburn — Defensive Back; Matt McGuire -Running Back; and Billy Farrier — Offensive Guard were voted first team All District. Joe Coffey - Offensive Tackle; Mike Belcher — Defensive Lineman; and Torrey Trussell — Defensive End was voted second team All District. Stacy Hutchison and Brent Rampey received All District honorable mentions.

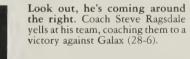
During their first year in the Mountain Empire District, the Spartans' made a definite impression!

- Emily Williams

Gooooooo Team. The team gets riled up before a big win against Peterstown (43-40).



Move out of my way. Junior Tyrome Anderson is in the open and on his way to a touchdown in a game against Auburn (48-27).





### Hard Work Makes a

### WINNING SEASON

o be successful at anything, it takes more than just talent; it takes preparation. Football games are won on the practice field," according to the J.V. football coach, David Witt. These words may have rung true during the 1990 junior varsity football season.

In the middle of the season, the team had a record of two wins and three losses. The record improved after a win against Radford. "We made a promise and won the remaining games," said sophomore Glenn Stowers. The season ended with a winning 6-3 record.

By mid-season the team was characterized by a massive hitting defense and a ground shaking offensive line. These proved to be enough to fulfill the *promise*, as well as make the season fun and exciting.

The eighth grade football team played a successful season. They finished the season winning six, tying one, and losing only one. They were led by Coach Bruce Frazier and assistant coach, Mitch Hale.

Initially, Coach Frazier "... was a little concerned with the small number of players that came out." Approximately eighteen players came out for the team.

Although they were small in number, they were large in talent. The offensive line opened up plenty of room for the backs to run and pass their way to victory. The defensive line successfully led the Spartans with three consecutive shut-outs against their opponents.

When asked what the high point of the season was, Raypheal Milton excitedly replied, "When I threw two touchdown passes to Chris Huskey and ran for two touchdowns!"

As the single 'A' team went up against larger 'AA' teams, their hard work, consistent effort, and all around talent definitely paid off. "I'd say

"To be successful at anything, it takes more than just talent; it takes preparation. Football games are won on the practice field."

— Coach David Witt

our most difficult opponent was Richlands because they were an 'AA' school, and because their players were physically bigger than us," commented David Greever.

The eighth grade team proved to their fans that a team doesn't have to be large in their number to be large in talent!

— Suzanne Eaton & Jeannie Smith

An opportunity he can't pass up. Eighth grader Raypheal Milton pulls back for a long pass caught by eighth grader Carl Openshaw in a 29-0 win against Radford.







Bustin' Loose! Sophomore Stephen Johnson breaks loose from George Wythe players. (36-16) Take It With Stride. Led by Sophomore Glenn Stowers, members of the J.V. team jog out onto the field before a game against Floyd County. (42-0)





Take a Flying Leap. Sophomore Timmy Williams leaps over a yard line in a game against George Wythe (36-16). Pushing for more yards. Sophomore Timmy Williams pushes of a George Wythe player in their last seasonal game (36-16).

Giles	Oppo	nent
20	6	Carroll Co.
16	6	Narrows
28	28	Richlands
28	0	Fort Chiswell
28	0	Radford
14	0	Floyd
24	6	Grayson Co.
16	20	Wytheville



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8th Grade Football: Row 1: Shawn Stevens, Robbie Simmons, Zach Adams, Tommy Redd, David Young Row 2: Coach Bruce Frazier, David Greevar, Marshall Young, Carl Openshaw, Michael Clark, Chris Dunn, Mart Farrier. Back Row: Chris Huskey, Jason Cook, Maurice Milton, Rayphael Milton, David Shrader, Harold Griggs, Assistant Coach Mitch Hale.

Giles	Oppo	nent
14	20	Carroll County
37	8	Narrows
12	6	Ft. Chiswell
0	16	Richlands
11	14	Ft. Chiswell
15	7	Radford
42	0	Floyd County
38	14	Grayson Co.
36	16	Wytheville



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J.V. Football Team: Row 1: Billy Martin, Warren Wilson, Peter Janney, Danny Ratcliffe, Shannon Pyles, Glenn Stowers, Chris Fields, Timmy Williams, Randy Mull, Brian Sargent, Benji Ratcliffe, Marty Smith, Jason Dunn Row 2: Jason Ratcliffe, Kenny Osborne, Chris Lucas, Jerry Saunders, Chad Journell, Patrick Butler, Shawn Falls, Steven Stephens, Perry Vandergrift, Rusty Carter, Chris Meredith, Charlie Henderson. Back Row: Assistant Coach Jerry Huffman, Ricky Sparks, Mike Smith, Brian O'Quinn, Gary Stevens, Ray Fisher, Barry Stevens, Travis Worley, Travis Journell, Patrick Steele, Rusty Newby, Chris Albert, Brian Cumbee, Ronnie Journell, Head Coach: David Witt.

## History In The Making

he 1990 Lady Spartans had what they needed to send them to the top of a Region C championship and on to the State quarter finals. The girls' varsity basketball team won more games than any other girls' basketball team in Giles High School history.

According to Coach Bill Mance, "They went into the regular season with determination and came out of it with second place in the New River District."

When asked what was the most exciting game of the regular season, senior Dana Moye replied, "Without a doubt, the game at Floyd. In that game we played as a team and worked well together. We managed to keep up our level of play against a strong opponent who had beaten us before."

The long, hard practices began to pay off as the ladies

Let's Get Busy. Girls' Varsity gets psyched up as they take time out for a huddle.

made their way into the District Finals by beating Grayson (44-25) and Floyd (51-48). They were then dis-

"They went into the regular season with determination and came out of it with second place."

— Coach Bill Mance

appointed by a loss to Galax (36-44), but they had already placed in Region C championships.

The Lady Spartans powered their way to Galax (39-29) to bring home the Region C championship, which put them in the running for state competition.

Coach Bill Mance and the Lady Spartans travelled to Salem Civic Center to play Middlesex for the state championship. Two bus loads of fans were able to leave school early to go and support their Lady Spartans.

They didn't bring home a state trophy, however, the season ended with Coach Mance named state Single A Coach of the Year, Daphne Atkins pulled in Honorable Mention in the district; Tina Tickle and Dana Move landed a place on the First Team All-District team; Move also received First-Team All-Region Honors. The Lady Spartans were proud they gained possession of the Region C championship for the first time in school history.

- Amy Wright

Air Atkins. Junior Daphne Atkins soars above the competition during State Championships.



Rising to the occasion! Senior Dana Moye goes for a rebound during a game against the lady Shawnees.

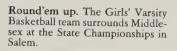
Passing the Buck. While defending the ball from Middlesex during the State Championships playoff game, Junior Summer Dowdy passes the ball to senior Dana Moye.







Up, up, and away... Senior April Wilson shoots a foul shot during the State Championships in Salem against Middlesex.





Girls'	Varsity	Basketball
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Giles	Opponent	
34	39	Shawsville
73	35	Bland
42	24	Grayson
53	38	Narrows
54	22	Rocky Gap
40	56	Galax
55	33	Auburn
35	39	Floyd
52	57	Ft. Chiswell
39	37	Shawsville
69	17	Bland
33	18	Grayson
62	20	Narrows
54	37	Chiswell
49	21	Rocky Gap
41	55	Galax
55	23	Auburn
50	30	Floyd
Mountain E	mpire Tourn	ament
44	25	Grayson
51	48	Floyd
36	44	Galax
Region C		
58	48	Patrick Henry of Glade Springs
44	43	Glenvar
Region Char	mpionship	
39	29	Galax
State		
33	43	Middlesex
	Overall 18-7	



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Varsity Girls' Basketball — Front row: Summer Dowdy, Tina Tickle, Shannon Dillion. Back Row: Coach Bill Mance, Michele Huffman, Daphne Arkins, Anne Edwards, Dana Moye, April Wil-



### J.V. Victors

he Girls' J.V. Basketball team finished their season with a 10-8 record.

Coach Ricky Lee felt the team "did well with their talent. They worked hard and played as a team."

This "teamwork" began in the middle of August with practices every day. Learning dribbling and

"Overall, the girls hustled and played smart."

— Coach Ricky Lee

shooting techniques, designating plays and positions for each player, and building team spirit were only a few of the team's summer tasks.

Anxious and excited, the team came out for the first game ready to play.

Tonya Anderson describes the team at that point as "... pretty nervous. After all those weeks of just practicing, we were finally able to see the results of what we had

been working for."

Considering the score, the team had been working for a win. They defeated Shawsville 23-21.

The season continued with ups and downs. The "ups" included victories over their long time rival, Narrows Green Wave. The first game ended with a score of 33-18, and the second win was 33-21.

In the last regular season game, the J.V's proved their strengths within the team. Coach Lee commented, "Even though it wasn't a victory, the game against Floyd had to be our best. The girls had good defense; on offense they took good shots. Overall they hustled and played smart."

The team advanced to the district quarterfinals to meet Ft. Chiswell. Though it was a tough loss, the girls' over-all record proved they were victorious as a team.

— Dana Moye

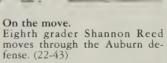
Deep Concentration. Freshman Tessa Farrell concentrates on her free throw in a win against Narrows. (33-18)



It takes Teamwork. Coach Ricky Lee discusses the team's strategy in a close game against Bland. (17-13)



You can't be serious. Sophomore Tonya Anderson waits for the opponents free throw in a match against Shawsville. (27-24)









Somebody Help! Sophomore Susan Kirk seeks assistance from teammate Kristi Hale in a game against Shawsville. (23-21)

#### J.V. Girls' Basketball

Giles	Opponent		Giles	Opponent	
23	21	Shawsville	27	24	Shawsville
17	13	Bland	28	24	Bland
19	36	Grayson	15	43	Grayson
33	18	Narrows	31	21	Narrows
36	24	Rocky Gap	28	45	Ft. Chiswell
26	22	Galax	31	24	Rocky Gap
12	34	Auburn	31	16	Galax
15	44	Floyd	22	43	Auburn
31	32	Ft. Chiswell	24	27	Floyd
				Overall	,



J.V. Girls' Basketball — Front row: Debbie Snidow, Torree Morris, Kelly Williams, Valerie Janney, Amy Wilson, Crystal Collins, Tessa Farrell. Back row: Heather Wilburn, Heather Matlock, Jennifer Crockett, Angel Bales, Tonya Anderson, Susan Kirk, Kristi Hale, Shannon Reed.





Over the top. Freshman Debbie Snidow goes up for a shot in a game against Auburn. (12-34)

Can't stop me! Sophomore Kristi Hale works the ball down the court for a shot against Shawsville. (23-21) G.H.S. is #1. Varsity Basketball Cheerleaders show the crowd who is number Ra, Ra, Ree. Kick 'em in the knee. Varsity Football Cheerleaders Katherine Coffey, Becca Rader and Kim Morris show their Spartan Spirit at the Homecoming game against Fort Chiswell.





Hey Juniors, Have you got that spirit?
The Varsity and J.V. Football Cheerleaders lead the Junior class in an outside Pep Rally spirit stick contest.





Varsity Football Cheerleaders. Front Row: Emily Williams, Stacy Morris, Ginny Guthrie. Row Two: Carrie Dean, Becca Rader, Shannon Eaton, Karen Hudson. Back Row: Kim Morris, Katherine Coffey, Heidi Noble.



J.V. Football Cheerleaders. Front Row: Stephanie Kirk, Leslie Vest, Julie Strong, Layla Moss. Row Two: Heidi Guthrie, Wendy Abel, Paige Allen. Back Row: Christina Blankenship, Christie Sabot.





## IN THE SPIRIT OF FRIENDSHIP

veryone remembers that certain time of year when many girls were seen walking around nervous and anxious. It was the week of cheerleading tryouts! When the big day finally arrived, and the football and basketball cheerleaders were chosen, the excitement in the air just about ". . . frizzed everyone's hair!" But that was just one day's worth of what was in store for these talented girls.

As the season progressed,

Go Spartans, Go Spartans, Go, Go, Go Spartans.
The J.V. Basketball Cheerleaders pep up the crowd at a game

a large amount of time was spent with the members of the squad. They worked together during practices, cheered together during games, and laughed and be-

"You really come to rely on your team members."

> — sophomore Katherine Coffey

came good friends by the end of the season. Sophomore Katherine Coffey said, "You really come to rely on your team members."

Most of the cheerleaders'

time was spent on different fund raisers and activities to pep up he student body. The varsity basketball cheerleaders, with the help of the chorale, dedicated the last home game to the memory of Mike Morris. Summer Dowdy gave a short speech, and the chorale sang "Friends".

Friends were a major part of cheerleading. Junior Treena Snider said, "During the season, cheerleading is a lot of hard work; but when you look back, the time flew by." But everyone agreed that the friendships and memories would last forever!

- Emily Williams



Varsity Basketball Cheerleaders. Front Row: Brooke Weiss, Sherry Colley, Stephanie Sanders. Back

Row: Summer Dowdy, Treena Snider, Sharon Hackney, Mary Lynn Greever.



J.V. Basketball Cheerleaders Front Row: Shannon Lowry, Michelle Mahaffey, Kelly Psathas.

Back Row: Selena Robertson, Daphne Rogers, Kim McGuire, Beth Martin.

### Playing Up to Par on the

### CHAMPIONSHIP COURSE

Blanketed with freshly cut grass, marked with sand traps and waterholes, the golf course lies silent. Then out of nowhere they arrive, ready to withstand any obstacle the game may throw their way — the GHS golf team.

With 23 wins and only 12 losses the golf team completed another successful season, and won their fifth district championship since 1980. "This year's golf season was a blast. This is the most fun I've ever had playing golf," said junior Brian Songer.

Two of the team's most grueling matches, both with district teams, were held at Blueridge Country Club and Castle Rock. During these matches the players not only competed against other strong players, but also dealt with the pressure of competing individually in district competition. Giles kept a strong lead while taking every match. "We were

Just a little bit more! Sophomore Daniel Hedrick figures the distance to the hole in a match against Galax. (160-189)

strong under times of pressure," said senior Eddie Adams. Giles had an average of 178 at Blueridge and 159 at Castle Rock.

The Spartans took fourth in regionals at Hot Springs. They were up against such formidable teams as Lexington and George Wythe, and in spite of the competition, Brian Songer and senior

"This year's golf season was a blast."

— Brian Songer

Chris Lang won regional individual medals. Junior Brain Songer, lowest scorer of the team, battled his way through the regular season to dominate in the regionals. But when it came to state competition, Brian said, "I hit the ball rather well, but I didn't score up to my potential. I was unfamiliar with the course and really wasn't

concentrating very well."

Individual scores from each match represented the number of strikes taken to complete the golf course. At the end of the season, these scores were averaged to determine each player's season score. Junior Brian Songer had an average of 74 for the season, senior Chris Lang had a 79, senior Eddie Adams had an 84, and freshman Mitch Reed had an 86.

Sophomores Daniel Hedrick and Neil Parcell came out after the season started, improved dramatically, and showed promise for the next golf season. "Things looked pretty gloomy in the spring, then improved steadily each week. I'm really proud of them," said Coach Bob Wilburn.

Although the season had come to a close, the faint crack of a solid drive and the silent roar of the crowd, cheering on their team, echoed across the deserted Castle Rock fairway.

- Chuck Gentry



Keep your eye on the ball. Senior Eddie Adams prepares to hit par on hole 4 in the district tournament. (337)





Get into the swing of things. Freshman Mitch Reed swings in action at Castle Rock.

#### Golf

Giles	Oppor	nant
347	314	Marion
J . ,	315	
	385	George Wythe Chilhowie
285	306	
178		Carroll County
1/0	192	Galax
1/0	220	Grayson County
169	189	Galax
277	256	George Wythe
	271	Carroll County
	275	Radford
159	171	Floyd
	211	Grayson County
248	252	Tazewell
	DIS	TRICT TOURNAMENT
337	338	Floyd
	367	Galax
	376	Fort Chiswell
	513	Grayson County
		SION C TOURNAMENT
347	334	
947	336	Lexington
		Lebanon
	337	George Wythe
	352	Glenvar
	377	Floyd



Front Row: Neil Parcell, Brian Songer, Daniel Hedrick. Back Row: Coach Bob Wilburn, Eddie Adams, Chris Lang, Mitch Reed.

Easy does it. Senior Chris Lang moves the ball nice and easy.

## LEADERS IN THE FIELD

he newly reorganized cross-country track and field teams bounced back with an impressive season under the leadership of Coach Scott Humphries.

For the first time, the Spartans competed in the

"Everyone on the team gave 110%."

— Coach Scott Humphries

Mountain Empire District against teams which have historically dominated regional and state competition. The Spartans finished as a team in second or third place at most of the nine district meets.

At the district finals, the boys' team finished fourth, but the girls' team finished

Running toward victory! Freshman Rick Jennings is giving his all at the last steps of a meet.



third, enabling them to proceed to regionals as a team. Four runners on the boys team qualified for regional competition as individuals.

Coach Humphries prepared the team for competition by practicing in all types of weather — rain, fog, wind, or snow, and on the toughest of terrains. He said, "I took them up to Bunker Hill, and they ran a five or six mile track."

At the state competition in Charlottesville, two Spartan runners placed against teams from across the Old Dominion. Freshman Ricky Jennings came from behind and beat the Mountain Empire district and regional champions to place fourth in the state. Senior Cindy Howell finished the track with a second place in State A competition.

According to Coach Humphries, "Everyone on the team gave 110% . . . Practices were very up-beat . . . the runners were always ready to go!" And go they did.

- Lory Stafford





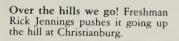
Runners take your positions. Freshman Rick Jennings, sophomores S. Rundgren, C. Greer, juniors J. Mann, M. Kast, R. Stafford, R. Masri, and senior R. Masri are all ready to take their place at Floyd.

Finished at last! Sophomore Shane Rundgren walks off the track after finishing a meet at Floyd.









Breathe easy! Senior Rony Masri takes a deep breath after a long run against Shawsville.







Cross Country. Front Row: Brian Rundgren, Michelle Jennings, Jennifer Jeffers, Cindy Howell, Kristina Atkins, Holly Myers, Crystal Ramos. Back Row: Coach Scott Humphries, Powell Wheeler, Steve Walker, Shane Rundgren, Chris Greer, Memphis Kast, Rusty Stafford, James Mann, Ricky Jennings, Roger Masri.



A reward for her success. Senior Cindy Howell receives a second place medal at the state competition in Charlottesville.

### Boys' Varsity Basketball

Giles	Opponent	
51	65	Narrows
66	64	Rocky Gap
53	92	Ft. Chiswell
60	52	Grayson County
59	65	Shawsville
50	58	Galax
59	70	Bland
53	86	Auburn
54	57	Narrows
59	55	Rocky Gap
73	66	Floyd
39	68	Ft. Chiswell
54	53	Grayson
53	62	Shawsville
45	69	Galax
67	75	Floyd
60	73	Bland
71	57	Auburn
57	63	Narrows



Boys' Varsity Basketball Front Row: Manager Steven Franklin, Jason Higginbotham, Jeff Jeffers, Jared Wilburn, Geof Allen, Kelvin Dooley, Manager Chad Williams. Back Row: Dewayne Dowdy, Brent Rampey, Wade Carbaugh, Eddie Adams, Rusty Stafford, Jessie Williams, Stacy Hutchinson, Coach Rusty Kelley.

> Open for the shot. Senior Geof Allen takes a flying leap while shooting the ball in a game against Ft. Chiswell (53-92).









## Determination Adds On The Points

even seconds were left on the clock, the score was 64-64 against Rocky Gap. Senior Jared Wilburn rebounded, went up the center, and shot a two-pointer. The buzzer sounded, and the Giles Boys' Varsity Basketball team had captured their first win of the season.

Wins such as these were the direct outcome of effort and teamwork. Composed of seven juniors and five seniors, the team members gained a lot of experience in a crucial rebuilding year.

Handling the defense. Senior Eddie Adams takes a shot against Bland (59-70).

No need to hurry. Junior Kelvin Dooley takes an open shot against Ft. Chiswell

Coach Rusty Kelly explained, "The team played hard . . . but we had a lot of trouble scoring points," but despite the shooting downfall, the team's determination remained strong. Ex-

"The team played hard . . ."

— Coach Rusty Kelly

pectations of the season that were quickly dampened when the Spartans lost their first match in a game against Narrows (51-63) were quickly replaced with high hopes, when in the next game the Spartans brought home a victorious 66-64 win over Rocky Rap. "The win against Rocky Gap proved to

us that we were capable of winning against Mountain Empire District teams," said junior Jason Higginbotham.

Hours of practicing brought even more wins as the season progressed. One of the high points of the season was described by Coach Kelley as, ". . . the 73-66 win over Floyd who was in first place at that time."

As many of the players looked back at the season. they saw different high points for themselves and their team. But they all agreed with senior Eddie Adams who said, "The best moment in the year was when we dedicated the last home game of the season to Mike Morris. We came out and played as hard as we could and beat Auburn 71-

- Kevin McDaniel and Dana Moye





Taking it with ease. Junior Dewayne Dowdy lines up his foul shot in a match against Ft. Chiswell. (53-92)



Senior Jared Wilburn shows his stress during a match.

### GETTING THEIR FIRST SHOT

he starters stepped out onto the cold, emotionless, hardwood floor. The spartan fans anticipated defeat but hoped for a victory. And after a very close, exciting match against Grayson, the J.V. Boys' Basketball team made those wishes come true, winning 36-

This sort of action is what made an exciting season for both the J.V. and Eighth Grade Basketball teams.

Starting off the season by losing their first two games, the Boys' Eighth Grade Basketball team thought they had trouble. Coach Alan McGraw commented, "It looked like it would be a long season." But the tides changed, and so did the scores when the team won,

great when we won . . . we knew we had started something great!" stated Eric Shannon.

The season continued with ups and downs, but most considered the highest point of the season as when the team beat Narrows on a last second three-point shot by Raypheal Milton.

At the end of the season, it was apparent that the ups had dominated the downs with the team having a winning 6-5 record. Coach Allen McGraw added, "They worked and played hard and most of all, they never lost faith."

With a tough season and difficult schedule, the J.V. Boys' Basketball team never faultered on their undiscrimination effort and determination. Cooperation and teamwork were go words throughout the entire season. Every player became one of the team on or off of the court. "It gave me a sense of pride and responsibility to the team," said sophomore Stephen Johnson."

Coach Bill Mance led the team into a battle that moved them closer to success everytime, regardless of whether they won or lost. "A lot of games were close, but there was usually that one thing that stopped us," said coach Bill Mance.

Whether it was the skillful expertise of three-point shots by Josh Allen or blocks by Patrick Steele, the talent was high and the action was always intense.

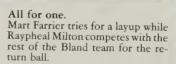
— Kevin McDaniel



Junior Josh Allen goes in for a layup in a 42-44 match against Rocky



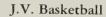
Eighth grader Raypheal Milton, who had just stolen the ball from his Rocky Gap opponent, makes a shot in a 47-27 matchup.











Giles	Opponent	
28	32	Narrows
42	44	Rocky Gap
37	48	Fort Chiswell
46	35	Grayson
43	46	Shawsville
45	29	Galax
36	39	Bland
51	43	Auburn
27	31	Narrows
42	37	Rocky Gap
45	32	Floyd
41	42	Fort Chiswell
36	34	Grayson
48	33	Shawsville
57	42	Galax
44	39	Floyd
31	34	Bland
35	48	Auburn
	Overall 9	-9

#### 8th Grade Basketball

Giles	Opponent	
27	34	Narrows
29	28	Rocky Gap
30	23	Grayson
23	35	Shawsville
26	19	Galax
39	25	Bland
36	39	Auburn
38	35	Narrows
47	27	Rocky Gap
35	39	Floyd
18	34	Fort Chiswel
	Overall 6-	5



Gaining the upper hand. Sophomore Joey Caldwell goes for a shot in a 28-32 game against Narrows.

Learning to Fly. Eighth grader Eric Shannon completes a lay-up in a 29-28 game against Rocky Gap.

## NETTING THEIR WAY TO THE TOP

alent, confidence, and teamwork were the "go words" for the highly successful varsity volleyball season.

With a team composed of state player of the year Valen West, first team and all-region winners Dana Moye and April Wilson, first team winner Stephanie Clark, all-district winners Tyree West and Daphne Atkins, and state coach of the year Mike Wilburn, talent was a definite description of the team.

The girls breezed through the regular season undefeated, winning all but one of their games in two sets alone. "As the season progressed, the team started to work

alent, confidence, and teamwork were the "go words" for tain Valen West.

The success the team had behind them fueled even more victories in the district and Region C tournaments. Senior Dana Moye commented, "There was very little

"We got the competition we had been craving."

— senior Dana Moye

competition in our regular season games; but when we started playing tournament games, we got the competition we had been craving all season." And they met this competition with the same force and determination they used in their previous games, which resulted with the same winning scores.

The only disappointment of the season was explained by Coach Wilburn who said, "Losing to Paige County in the state competition was saddening to all of us, especially when we thought that we were the best team there." But with an overall team record of 16-1, no one could dispute tat it was the best season ever.

- Kevin McDaniel and Lory Stafford

Ready, Set, Spike! Junior Daphne Atkins spikes the ball over to Fort Chiswell (2-0).





Concentration.

Teammates watch and help their teammates to concentrate on winning a game against Narrows (2-0).

Reach for it. Senior Stephanie Clark reaches to set up the ball for teammate Sherry Akers in a match against Auburn (2-0).





Giles	Opponent	
2	0	Narrows
2	0	Fort Chiswell
2	0	Bland
2	0	Narrows
2	Ŏ	Galax
2	0	Auburn
2	Õ	Grayson
2	Õ	Floyd
2	Ŏ	Shawsville
2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2	Ŏ	Auburn
2	Ŏ.	Woodrow Wilson
2	ĭ	Greenbrier West
_	District Tour	
2	0	Auburn
2 2	ĭ	Narrows
-	Region	
2	0	Lexington
2 2	1	Castle Wood
	State	
0	3	Paige County



Varsity Volleyball. Front Row: April Wilson, Deidra Kessinger, Karen Hudson, Stephanie Clark, Darlene Smith, Lisa Crigger, Jeannie Journell. Back Row: Assistant Coach Greg Smith, Dana Moye, Tyree West, Valen West, Sherry Akers, Daphne Atkins, Head Coach Mike Wilburn.





Over the net! Senior April Wilson jumps to meet the ball in midair in a game with Narrows (2-0).

Set it up. Senior Dana Moye sets the ball up for Junior Daphne Atkins against Auburn (2-0).

## The J.V. team knew they were **Set to go!**

hat does setting a new school record, being talented, and just being a great all around team have in common with this year's J.V. Volleyball squad? Everything!

Having only two losses in regular season play, losing in two sets to Grayson County and suffering a close loss in an exciting match against Floyd showed the J.V. Volleyball team had talent.

They displayed their playing ability by winning nine of their twelve games in two sets alone.

Greg Smith, coach of the squad, said, "I was very

proud of how they all worked together to have an exceptional season." He described the team as "good passers, good hitters, and good setters who did a great job getting the ball to the hitters."

"I was very proud of how they all worked together to have an exceptional season."

- Coach Greg Smith

One of the most exciting moments was when Giles came from behind to beat Narrows in the third match, during their second matchup game for the season.

The high point of the season was described by the team as when they broke the school record for the most wins in the district and the overall season. They proudly displayed their district record of 6-2 and an overall record of 9-2, a record giving them a second place finish in district tournament competition.

- Emily Williams and Dana Moye

Getting up for the kill. Sophomore Susan Kirk spikes the ball while players from Fort Chiswell anxiously await (2-0).



It's a power serve. Sophomore Tonya Anderson slams the ball against Narrows (2-0).

Bump set. Sophomore Jean Ann Bailey bumps the ball as Sophomores Tonya Anderson, Ora-Lea Lucas and Susan Kirk cheer her on.







Keeping the ball in play. Sophomore Susan Kirk bumps the ball with a twist to score a point against Fort Chiswell.

Not afraid to hit the floor. Sophomores Lee Clark and Susan Kirk dive after the ball as sophomore Tonya Anderson looks on in a match against George Wythe (2-0).







### I.V. Vollevball

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Giles	Opponent	
2	0	George Whythe
2	0	Narrows
2	0	Bland
2	1	Narrows
2	0	Fort Chiswell
2	0	Galax
0	2	Grayson County
1	2	Floyd County
2	0	Auburn
2	0	Shawsville
2	0	Auburn
2	0	Princeton
	District	6-2
	Overall	9-2



J.V. Volleyball Team: Front Row: Head Coach Greg Smith, Alma Vandergrift, Crystal Snider, Kelli Davis, Holly Litchford, Tonia Short, Assistant Coach Mike Wilburn. Back Row: Lee Clark, Ora-Lea Lucas, Tonya Anderson, Jean Ann Bailey, Kim Morris, Susan Kirk.

Pitch it to me! Junior Jason Higginbotham and senior Stacy Hutchinson warm up before the Narrows game.

### Varsity Baseball

Giles	Opponent	
2	6	Carroll Co.
7	6	Tazewell
3	12	Blacksburg
8	12	Richlands
1	3	
å	8	Carroll Co.
0	10	Blacksburg
2		Galax
2	2	Fort Chiswell
9	5 5 6	Peterstown
2 7 3 8 1 3 9 3 9 8 0	6	Floyd
	17	Peterstown
13	3 5	Auburn
0	5	Narrows
0 7 9 3	10	Shawsville
9	0	Rocky Gap
3	4	Grayson Co.
Tournament		Grayson Co.
4	0	Grayson Co.
8	Ö	Narrows
2	Ö	Shawsville
Region	· ·	Snawsville
2	5	Covington
	Overall 8-12	Covington
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Varsity Baseball
Front Row: Neil Perdue, Gary Hilton, Joe St. Clair, David
Williams, Brian Songer, Jason Higginbotham, Matt McGuire, Jared
Wilburn. Back Row: Tim Elliot, Mike Huffman, Andy Tawney,
Jessie Williams, Stacy Hutchinson, Dewayne Dowdy, Jamie
Williams, Mgr.; Stacy Smith, Coach Bruce Frazier.



Come on, baby. Junior Dewayne Dowdy waits for a 'grounder' to come to his mitt.

Here it comes. Senior Jesse Williams throws the ball to get an out.







Catch this. Senior Jesse Williams throws the ball to home to get the player out.

Is it in there? Junior Jason Higginbotham looks to see if he caught the ball.



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## CINDERELLA STRIKES AGAIN

t the smack of the bat and run of the bases the varsity baseball team kicked off its season with fourteen hard working, dedicated players who learned to accept defeats with grace and enjoy a well-earned victory.

In late February, players got out their bats and cleats to start the long, hard practices ahead of them. The regular season began with a few weak spots, but as the season went on the teams togetherness and confidence grew much stronger to give them five wins and eleven losses.

The team then traveled to Calfee Park in Pulaski to compete in the District Tournament. They played with much enthusiasm and self-confidence to shut out Grayson 4-0. In the second game of the tournament, Giles stomped Narrows 8-0. The Spartans then faced Shawsville, who was number two in the

regular season. The score was 0-0 at the top of the seventh. The crowd and players grew silent as Jared Wilburn stepped up to bat. The thought of having to go into extra innings vanished when Jared hit a double and earned two R.B.I.'s, giving Giles the final score of 2-0. This ended the game and earned dividuals, and we kept our heads in the game," stated senior Andy Tawney.

The team lost to the Covington Cougars (2-5) in the first round of the Regional Tournament. However, the players did not come home losers. They showed their fans and themselves that they were all true

was named to First Team All District. Juniors Dewayne Dowdy and Jason Higginbotham and Senior Jared Wilburn were named to Second Team All District. Seniors Stacy Hutchison and Jessie Williams both received Honorable Mention.

When asked to sum up this year's season, Coach Bruce Frazier replied, "We started the season with optimism and we ended the season with optimism. I've always believed that we can win any game we play. This was proven to me especially at the end of the season when the team surpassed my expectations with its performance."

- Amy Wright

### "The highlight of the season was capturing the MED Championship."

— Andy Tawney

Giles the title of Mountain Empire District Tournament Champions. Fans rushed out onto the field with tears of joy to congratulate their team. The highlight of the season was capturing the MED Championship. We played as a team not as inwinners by working hard, working together and never giving up. Their overall record was eight wins and twelve loses and the tournament championship.

There was much talent throughout the team. Senior Andy Tawney

## PITCHER PERFECT SEASON

n a county that grows up on t-ball and pony league, and thrives on baseball and softball well into adult-hood, a successful high school baseball program is almost understood. As far as the J.V. team was concerned, the assumption was a valid one.

The team made its debut in the Mountain Empire District by winning every district game — under the 10-point rule, no less. In non-district games, the team confronted smaller and larger schools with variously structured programs. According to Coach David Witt, "The season provided a wide range of

experience for the players."

In the course of the season, team members learned to merge their strengths to overcome individual weaknesses. The team ended the season with a winning 9-6 record. Eighth grader Marshall Young summed up the season by saying, "When we played up to our potential, we won."

- Amy Wright

Catch!

Sophomore Steevie Steele warms up his pitching arm before a game against Carroll County.





Double up. Sophomore Joey Caldwell and eighth grader Raypheal Milton wait for their Floyd opponent to hit the ball.

Batter Up! Freshman Joey Caldwell hits a homerun in a 13-3 match against Grayson.





### J.V. Baseball

Giles	Opponent	
8	17	Tazewell
8 3 3	9	Graham
3	8	Carroll County
1	0	Carroll County
15	5	Graham
12	0	Blacksburg
14	2	Galax
13	0	Fort Chiswell
16	5	Auburn
10	11	Blacksburg
13	18	Radford
24	1	Shawsville
13	3	Floyd
13	3	Grayson
9	10	Radford



Front Row: Jason Dunn, Marty Smith, Chris Huskey, Mike McCoy, Rapheal Milton, Mark Vinson, Mike Merrix, Shannon Pyles. Back Row: Chris Fields, Marshall Young, Patrick Steele, Bendy Brumfield, Joey Caldwell, Jason Ratcliffe, Mitch Reed, Tammy Lester, Chris Albert, Billy Martin, David Greever, Danny Ratcliffe, Stevie Steele, Coach Witt, Glenn Stowers.





Standing his ground. Billy Martin watches his teammates at the bat while he waits for his chance to be catcher.

Watching it all. Coach David Witt and sophomore Stevie Steele watch the game against Blacksburg.



Here Batta', Batta'! Sophomore Joey Caldwell awaits the perfect pitch from his Shawsville opponent.

### On Your Mark, Get Set, . . .

## Go

weating bodies, gasping breath and a never ending desire to chalk up another win were all characteristic of 32 young men dedicated to track & field. The result was two determined track teams.

The Varsity Boys' Track team started off the season with a win over Peterstown and Auburn in a tri-meet. Despite being a young team, with only four seniors, these 25 boys showed how far a little will-power can go. They finished third in the Mountain Empire District.

Senior Chris Lang was a very important competitor his first year on the team. He showed great talent in the high jump. He was the number one scorer in the district, setting a new Mountain Empire Record.

After district, 11 members qualified for regionals. These 11 were Jamie Brown, Chris Crews, Chris Greer, Chris Lang, Chris Lucas,

Perry Martin, Wes Randal, Shane Rundgren, Jerry Saunders and Mike Slusser. Chris Lang took first place in the high-jump.

Out of regionals, one member, Chris Lang qualified for state. Chris was very successful at state. He finished second by setting a new school record in the highjump. When asked about his achievements, Chris responded with a smile, "I really don't know what to say. I'm new at this kinda stuff."

The Eighth Grade Track team also had a good season. There were seven members on the team. They finished second in the Mountain Empire District. Coach Jerry Huffman commented, "This was a great placing for a team of this size." These members will be a definite asset to next years varsity team.

- Jeannie Smith





Hand Off. Junior Tyrome Anderson hands off to junior Shane Rundgren in the 400m Relay.

Hurriedly Hurdling. Junior Shane Rundgren takes the lead in the 100m hurdles.





In the lineup.
Members of the Girls' and Boys'
Track teams face off in the 400
meter run in a match against Ft.
Chiswell.

Jump for Joy. Senior Chris Lang breaks the school record with a 6' 5" high jump at the state qualification match.





Coming in for a landing. Junior Mike Slusser participates in the high jump.



At the finish line. Sophomore Sean King completes the 400 meter run against Ft. Chiswell.

Holding out for first. Junior Carrie Dean gives her all to overcome her Bland opponent. Keeping the pace.
Junior Carrie Dean strives to take
the lead in a meet against George
Wythe.



The Girls' Track Team Proved They Were

### ON THE RIGHT TRACK

his season marked the finest in school history for the Lady Spartan track team. They established themselves as the area's finest team early in the campaign by capturing the team title at the Wytheville Relays. They followed that success up with wins at the All-American and Blue Demon Relays. The girls made it look easy in winning the Mountain Empire District title by over 100 points and took their first ever regional crown before ending their season with a seventh place finish at the state meet.

Individual achievements were also abundant for the team. Senior Cindy Howell broke the school's 1600 meter record, and sophomore Wendy Abel set new school records in both the 100 and 300 meter hurdles. Both runners placed at the state meet. April Wilson led the team in scoring for the third consecutive season, capturing four firsts at the MED meet and gaining all-state honors in the triple jump.

Senior April Wilson commented, "It was a great season!"

Giles sent 14 girls to the state meet, the most in school history. Nine received all-state recognition. Other all-starters included underclassmen Carrie Dean, Shannon Dillon, Crystal Ramos, Susan Kirk,

"It was a great season!"

— senior April Wilson

Melissa Moore, and Summer Dowdy.

A great deal of Giles' success can be traced back to the dedicated efforts and leadership of the seniors, all of whom have been on the varsity team for four years. Cindy Howell, April Wilson, Jennie Adams, Tina Tickle, Tyree West, and Valen West, were all difficult to lose; however, the groundwork that they laid will help Giles teams for years to come.

One of the largest turnouts in recent years helped lead the eighth grade girls track team to yet another successful season. The squad of 22 girls easily dominated the MED competition in Giles' first year of participation in the new classification. Tomika Saunders proved to be a possible future star for the Lady Spartans as she led the team in scoring and broke the eighth grade record in the 400 meters. A great deal of experience of young athletes, and big things can be looked forward to from this excellent group.

Crossing the finish line. Sophomore Wendy Abel stretches out to take second place in a meet against Christiansburg.





Taking a flying leap.
Junior Daphne Atkins and Senior
April Wilson glide over the hurdles
in the 300 meter event.







Taking a break. Senior Tina Tickle walks over to the side after completing her last throw.

Jumping for it all. Freshman Crystal Ramos uses her momentum to reach new distances in the long jump.

## ACHIEVING GOALS

s the sun beated upon the field and last minute preparations took place, sounds of cleats hitting the pavement could be heard in the distance. As the soccer team ran onto the field, it was clear that they meant business.

Even though the team won only one game, they overcame many significant obstacles. Senior captain Travis Hale commented "We were playing individual soccer but by the end of the season we were a team!" As the team progressed through the season they played

against some very difficult teams, but they didn't let that fact put them down. They went out and played hard. "Because we played the best teams that we could

"By the end of the season we were a team."

— Travis Hale

find, we became better players," commented senior Steve Walker.

Several players were recognized for their effort in an

intense season. Junior Brent Rampey received the coaches' award while senior Steve Walker was named Most Improved Player and Brian Pfister Most Valuable Player.

As the last game came and went, everyone was sad that the season was over, but at the same time glad that they had learned all they did about soccer.

- Lory Stafford

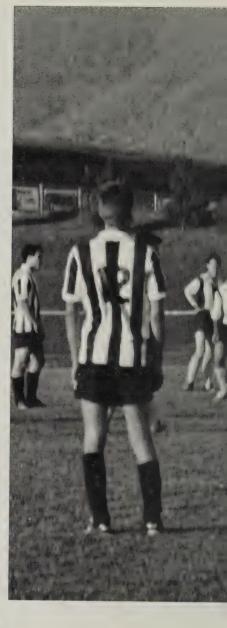
Is everybody ready? Giles and George Wythe teams prepare for a game.



It's my ball! Goalie Craig Dowdy chases after a ball to save it during the Marion game (1-3).



You want this ball? Junior Brent Rampey teases his teammates with the soccer ball.







#### **SOCCER**

Giles	Opponent	
1	0	Marion
1	4	Va. High
0	2	George Wythe
1	3	Marion
1	3	George Wythe
Overall 1-4		



Soccer
Front Row: Mgr.; Shelley Young, Brian O'Quinn, Stephen
Stephens, Jeff Jeffers, Steve Walker, David Pfister, Daniel
Hedrick, Roger Masri, Mgr.; David Howard. Back Row: Coach
Neil Schmidt, Brian Pfister, Bryan Sargent, Brent Rampey, Travis
Hale, Craig Gowdy, John Howard, Brian Corboy, Ron Masri, Scott
Detamore, Mgr.; Lory Stafford.



Get Ready!
The team sets up for a goalie kick.

Here it comes. Senior Travis Hale throws in to teammate Ron Masri.



Junior Roger Masri concentrates before the Marion game.

## No Love Lost

Tennis teams lost no love on the courts this season, finishing with winning records on both sides.

The girls ended their season with a 7-6 record. In the history of girls' tennis at GHS, this was the best record to date. The team finished tied for second place in district play. Kim Morris and Dana Boye played doubles at the district tournament, and Dana Moye went on to regional competition.

Kim Cherry was named

Most Dedicated Player. Katherine Coffey was named Most Improved Player, and Dana Moye was voted Most Valuable Player. Julie Molique summed up the season by saying, "Because of returning players and the strong talented new players, we were able to achieve a winning season."

The Boys' Tennis team finished with a winning 7-5 record, although Coach Thomas characterized it as, "a learning season." The boys tied for second in the district, with a 4-2 district record.

Stephen Mertz, second seed, was named Most Improved Player, and first seed Rusty Newby was named Most Dedicated Player. Most Valuable Player went to Wally Lindsey, the only senior on the team.

According to Stephen Mertz, "We had a great season, but most important of all, we improved the whole time. That's the thing about tennis. Even though it's a team sport, your real opponent is your own limitations."

- Lory Stafford



In the swing of things. Junior Tonya Anderson returns a serve to her Bland opponent.



Shake on it. Junior Stephen Mertz accepts his Most Improved Player award from coach C.G. Thomas.

On the upswing. Senior Wally Lindsey attacks his Grayson opponent with a powerful return.





### Girls' Tennis

Giles	Opponent	
4	5	George Wythe
9	0	Carroll County
2	7	Tazewell
2	7	Richlands
6	3	Floyd
3	6	Fort Chiswell
6	3	Galax
3	6	Grayson
8	0	Narrows
9	0	Shawsville
7	2	Auburn
9	0	Bland



Girls' Tennis. Front Row: Kim Cherry, Emily Williams, Stephanie Clark, Kim Morris, Julie Molique. Back Row: Pam Rakes; assistant, Dana Moye, Tonya Anderson, Katherine Coffey, Melissa Hinchee, Kay Rakes; coach.

### Boys' Tennis

Giles 7 5 8 4 7 7 1	Opponent 2 11 1 5 5 2 5 9 2 8 8 8	Auburn Narrows Grayson Galax Floyd Fort Chiswell Richlands Narrows Tazewell Richlands
1 1 6 8	8 8 3 0	



Boys' Tennis. Front Row: Scott Lisamn, Jason Borillo, Ben Williams, Chad Williams. Back Row: James Mann, Stephen Mertz, Wade Carbaugh, Rusty Newby.

Preposterous. ertinent to a happy, healthy, life, good posture is taught as part of a healthy living unit in the Life Management Skills II class. Part of the lesson included playing a game where students such a senior Shawn

Bowman balanced a book on their heads for as long as possible.

 ✓ lind taste test. y only using his senses of taste and smell, senior J.J. Fleeman identifies dif-

ferent foods given to him by senior Stacy Hutchison as part of an exercise in their Biology II class.











athered around. Jathered around Mr. Bob Lilly, sen-

iors Michele Huffman, Dulcie Morris, and Stacy Morris listen attentively as he explains what their computer math projects should consist of.

Headline News.

astily writing their articles for their

rapidly approaching deadline, Spartonian Staff members Jo Hardy, Curtis Coleman, J.J. Fleeman, and Steve Walker, write them a little quicker by using the word processing programs in the computer lab.





## NEVER SO CLEVER

n the midst of hectic class schedules, meeting new teachers, and all of the other business that came with returning to school, the small differences in the academic system were sometimes hard to notice. But with time the changes that had been made took effect and everyone discovered them first hand.

Changes included the New River Community College dual enrollment courses, which allowed students to go to high school and earn college credit at the same time, the electronic classroom used to teach Latin I "via satellite", and the family life curriculum was implemented into the physical education classes. But the most welcome change was in spring, when a new policy, which allowed un-

derclassmen as well as seniors to become exempt from exams, was put into effect.

Even with these changes, some things remained the same. Throughout the year students set goals for themselves, and each worked to his own potential. Some participated in advanced classes such as fourth and fifth year language classes, physics, and trigonometry to prepare themselves for college, while vocational classes were offered to those who chose to prepare for a career immediately following high school.

Among all students, likes and dislikes varied, and so did their levels of skill and potential; but for those who put forth the effort to succeed, it could be said that they were **NEVER SO CLEVER**.

- Kevin McDaniel

# THE KNOWLEDGE FOR COLLEGE

t's a parent's dream come true—a son or daughter graduating high school with honors to then go onto college. But some parents were surprised to learn their children were in college before graduating high school.

The 1991 school year marked the introduction of NRCC classes to the curriculum. These were real college courses in which its students were dually enrolled, meaning they went to high school and college at the same time in the same building and taught by the same teachers. There were four classes offered in the program: math, history, English, and biology, all of which, were monitored and credited through New River Community College.

To be eligible for the classes, the students had to be 16 years of age, take a NRCC placement exam, have a certain grade point average, attain a minimal SAT score,

and obtain several teacher recommendations. The students received a certain number of points for each of the criterion, and the number of points determined if or how many courses could be taken.

The classes emphasized free thought and prepared students for the challenges that would face them in college, but in a more familiar and comfortable environment. Senior Ginny Guthrie, who was enrolled in all four courses commented, "You get college credit without the pressure or the expense that comes with college itself." Senior Joe Coffey said, "It's challenging with the added bonus of college credit." Although challenging was a word often used to describe the courses, the students' support for them was overwhelming. Participants will always remember being part of a new educational standard.

— Kevin McDaniel



Is this correct? Senior Rony Masri asks Mr. David Witt about a math problem in NRCC calculus class.

It takes teamwork.
Seniors Pam Burton and Joe Coffey read
The Sound and the Fury in their NRCC English class.







Listening Attentively.
Members of Mr. David Witt's NRCC calculus class learn the correct procedure to answering problems.

The Johnston Pact.
Members of NRCC history class listen to Mr. W.R. Johnston as he teaches about WWII.









The next question is ...
Mrs. Karen Yolton gives Wally Lindsey and Rony Masri a make-up test in NRCC English class.

What are we doing? Seniors Stacy Morris, Ginny Guthrie and Joe Coffey look fore help in NRCC calculus class.

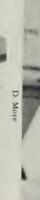
Dreamland.

In his third year Spanish class, senior Billy Farrier takes a nap after his test.

Daytime television.

Latin I students Susan Stafford, Danya Lassinger, and Andrea Campbell complete their Latin exam. After the tests were complete teacher Jetty O'Quinn faxed the tests to Hillsville where they were graded.









## FOREIGN FORMALITIES

t really is a small world. With countries joining forces and trade restrictions lightened, opportunities are limitless; but to take advantage of those opportunities, a student must be able to communicate his own ideas, and that is hard to accomplish with a language barrier in the way.

Some students knocked down those barriers by learning a foreign language. Three foreign languages offered to students were French, Spanish, and a new addition, Latin. Latin was taught "via satellite" in the electronic classroom. The class offered basic background and the origins of words used in practices such as law and medicine.

Spanish and French classes both offered many activities to enhance a students' cultural awareness and knowledge of language. Students in both classes prepared and ate meals common in their respective countries. French classes attended a play by Molière and Spanish classes saw "Manânas de Abril Mayo", both at William Fleming High School. On parent teacher conference day the classes prepared ethnic foods to serve to parents. During foreign language week, April 21-26, the classes made posters displaying good ceasons why a student should take a foreign language. Over 200 students participated, and the posters were hung all around the school.

As each class shared common goals, they were also different in many ways. Besides the differences in the languages themselves, students in each class participated in different activities. French classes learned french dances and recorded their own orig-

inal commercials in French. The Spanish classes made floor plans, with texts in Spanish, of their dreams homes, and wrote reports about current events in Spanish countries.

Although some students disliked foreign languages and took only the required three years for an advanced diploma, some went on to take advanced classes Senior Joe Hardy commented, "The French IV class I'm in is very small, only eight people. Everyone's really close and it makes the class more fun." And it was agreed, foreign languages equipped many students with an advantage in their futures, while letting them participate in a fun class at the same time.

- Kevin McDaniel





Two heads are better than one. Junior Andy Harrel helps junior Chastity Mann with her workbook assignment in their Spanish II class, while junior Angie Stump, who has completed her assign-ment, writes a note to a friend.

Gourmet make-over. After finishing their french meal in their French IV/V class, junior Chuck Gentry smears senior Shelly Young's face with "Bouche de Noel" that she made.



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Second to none.
Senior Ginny Guthrie serves junior Michael Hogue seconds of french scalloped potatoes. Each student in the French IV/V classes made a french dish so the entire class could eat an authentic french meal during the food unit.



"What was the assignment?"
Junior Brent Rampey shows sophomore
Kristy Hale what assignment she needs to
do for her Spanish III class.

## A Number of Reactions

hat would allow a student to explore the universe, find the cure for cancer, or build a robot? Science and math classes, of course.

For all students three years of math and science courses were required, but some students placed more classes than required on their high school records.

Many different levels of math classes were offered to new students just starting out in high school. Eighth grade math, prealgebra and algebra were offered to them. As each student advanced to the next grade so did the course. Other courses offered were general math, geometry which dealt with angles and shapes. The basics

of trigonometry and advanced algebra were taught in Algebra II. Math analysis introduced calculus. And finally, computer math offered a switch from the normal paper and pencil problems.

Under the science selections were classes such as physical and earth science. Physical science was taught to eighth graders and dealt with basic properties of matter. Earth science was required for freshmen students; it covered the basics of the earth and the universe. Biology was another required class, which explained the beginning of life with cells and molecules. For those students who would have liked to expand their science knowledge, classes such as

Biology 11 and chemistry were offered.

Physics was taken by students completing three years of science classes including chemistry. It explained the movement of objects. Senior Craig Gowdy took the class because he "... needed it for college, because I'm going into computer science."

Just like math, NRCC biology was another stepping stone to science education.

At any level of education, science and math classes proved themselves important in playing a large role in a student's everyday life.

- Dana Move



Heavyweight.
Eighth grader Robbie Dollinger uses a gravometer to measure the force it takes to move a brick in a lab in his physical science

Enjoying the knowledge. Senior Stacy Smith and Sophomore Daniel Hedrick study their Algebra II homework during class.







#### All tied up. Senior Stacy Smith and Junior Stephen Mertz intertwine themselves with string in an attempt to demonstrate muscle action in Biology II class.

A little thought and effort. Freshman Jennifer Jeffers solves a math problem on the board during her algebra class.







Stirring up a little trouble. Juniors Renee Gautier and Julie Bohn experiment with chemicals during chemistry class.

It's dinnertime! Seniors Stacy Hutchison and J.J. Fleeman satisfy their appetite while dissecting a frog in Biology II.

## SONGS FROM THE HEART

orty-six talented voices poured out into the auditorium, as the audience sat in awe listening to the perfectly blended sounds bouncing off all four walls.

The Symphonic Chorale and choral ensemble, directed by Mr. Larry Marion, performed all around the community for church gatherings, various club meetings, and town functions. They sang the national anthem for baseball and basketball games improving their skills and talent to go on to sing the national anthem for an Atlanta Braves vs. Los Angeles Dodgers game.

Throughout the football season the chorale worked hard in the Bandana Bar to raise money for their trip. "It was all worth it", stated sophomore Christi Sabot. "It's a lot of hard work

All eyes on them.

The Symphonic Chorale sings "The Star Spangled Banner" before an Atlanta Braves Baseball game on their trip to Atlanta for the Fiesta-Val competition. but fun at the same time.'

Their hard work paid off on April 11 when they left at 3:30 a.m. for Atlanta. Not only did they get to sing the national anthem for the Braves, but they were a part of the first "Fiesta-val" competition to be held at Six Flags over Georgia. Both the symphonic chorale and choral ensemble received an excellent rating and brought home the first place trophy in their divisions.

In the spring the chorale held its auditions for the next year. A good preparation for becoming a part of the chorale is choir. In all there were 51 members of the choir and eighthgrade choir. They had annual Christmas and Spring concerts and showed that the singing talent was not only limited to the chorale.

The chorale and choral ensemble also presented an annual Christmas concert and ended the year with the Spring concert.

Seniors Crystal Day and Stacy Smith both quoted "Being in the chorale is one of the greatest experiences we have had." Anyone who likes to sing should try out. We will never forget the memories we've shared."

In contrast, the spring concert was a sad time for some members; close friends graduated and left others behind with memories of class, concerts, and tours created memories which will remain in their hearts and minds for-

- Amy Wright







Symphonic Chorale.
Front Row: Nancy Noble, Amy Wright, Jeannie Smith, Samantaha Vest, Patrick Butler, Shannon Collins, Walter Lindsey, Joe St. Clair, Emily Williams, Andy Harrell, Larry Marion; sponsor. Row 2: Julie Bohn, Michelle Silver, Melissa Rumberg, Jennifer Jeffers, Stevie Steele, Jeff Jeffers, Roger Masri, Jared Wilburn, Kim Fisher, Jeannie Journell, Christie Sabat. Row 3: Crystal Day,

Melinda Smith, Wendy Abel, Deidra Kessinger, Julie Molique, Rony Masri, Todd Abel, Scott Detamore, Ricky Sparks, Kim Morris, Kristina Atkins, Heidi Noble. Back Row: Stacy Smith, Melissa, Jean-Anne Bailey, Daphne Arkins, Christie McCall, Mitch Reed, Michael Smith, Craig Gowdy, Travis Journell, Patrick Steele, Susan Kirk, Emily Taylor, Melissa Hinchee, Kristi Hale.

Chorale Ensemble.

Front Row: Stevie Steele, Jennifer Jeffers, Larry Marion; sponsor, Andy Harrell, Jared Wilburn. Row 2: Wally Lindsey, Heidi Noble, Deidra Kessinger, Amy Wright, Craig Gowdy. Row 3: Shann Collins, Stacy Smith, Julie Moliue, Patr Steele. Back Row: Jeff Jeffers, Stepha-Kirk, Travis Journell.





A Chorus Line. The Chorale Ensemble sings at Festival Around Town in Pearisburg. The Chorale and Chorale Ensemble sung at many churches and community events in the county throughout the year.

Here Comes Santa Claus. Members of the Symphonic Chorale get into the spirit of things at the Christmas concert for the school.





ont Row: Mr. Larry Marion, Shawn Cliffe, Timmy Williams. Row 2: Karen Ser, Micalene Mundy, Christie Whit-ter, Tammy Whittaker, Perry Martin, crick Johnston, Joey Brumfield, Francis y, Tammi Clappes. Row 3: Kim Ander-t, Tina Stevers, Teresa McMagon,

Tonya Tickle, Stephanie Lang, Jackie Watts, Stephen Whittaker, Tereva Martin, Sabrina Simpson, Tina Dirico. Back Row: Crystal Bremer, Melissa Carter, Paula Gusler, Dawn Stump, Billy Higgs, Bernard Epperly, Wendy Hetheringtron, Patricia Patrings. ricia Perkings, Angela Spangler.



8th Grade Choir. Front Row: Mr. Larry Marion; sponsor, Tonia Short, Chris Dunn. Row 2: Kelly Warner, Marti Hamblin, Jessica Green, Amy Dolinger, Stephanie Foster. Row 3:

Kim Baldwin, Crystal Collins, David Greever, Lindsey Williams, Mickey Blankenship. Back Row: Lisa Porterfield, Shelley Defrice, Rebecca Rumberg, Mart Farrier, Marshall Young, Travis Keffer.

Standing their ground. Trumpeteers Ben Woods and Marvin Harless participate in a performance for a crowd at the Peterstown football game.

All together now...
The entire marching band participates in the annual homecoming parade in downtown Pearisburg.







Flags and Majorettes Front row: Crystal Day, Sherry Akers, Sherry Ratcliff, Lisa Douthat, Layla Moss. Back row: Tammy Adkins, Jeannie Jour-

nell, Melissa Thornhill, Kristin Mustard, Hope Harrell, Lisa Law, Carolyn Ballard, Jill Collins.

Marching to the beats of a different

drum.

Band members Chris Mann, Layla Moss, and Jennifer Jeffers fool around with a set of drums before class begins.



Tooters. Erin Simpkins, Sarah Ashworth, Amanda Millirons play their flutes in the homecoming parade.





# THEY'RE PLAYING MY SONG

students lined up straight and narrow in their black, ornate uniforms. They marched uniformly, like soldiers in a military parade, with their bright brass trumpets, trombones, and tubas glittering in the autumn sunlight. But this was not a military parade; it was the homecoming parade, and these "soldiers" were the Giles High School Marching Band.

The homecoming parade was only one of the events the band participated in throughout their busy year. Director Scott Humphries commented," I think hectic would be the best word to describe the year!"

They spent hours practicing for football games, concerts, and competitions. In the fall, they braved rain storms and cold nights to play at all of the home games and at

some of the away games. In winter, they joined the chorale in a Christmas concert, and in spring, they got a second place rating at the Eastern division band competition

Another aspect of the band was the majorettes and the flag corps. At every football game they could be seen twirling their batons and waving their flags in highly choreographed routines. Majorette Crystal Day commented, "Being a majorette gave me a chance to explore another part of being in a marching band. It was a welcome change from the clarinet."

Whether playing victoriously in competitions, or bringing down the house at a concert, the band always entertained their school and community.

- Kevin McDaniel





Band. Front Row: Laura Lynch, Jennifer Jeffers, Layla Moss, Travis Journell, Derek Fontaine, Chad Journell, Wes Lucas. Rov 2: Carolyn Ballard, Jeannie Journell, Melissa Thornhill, Amanda Millirons, Katie Walker, Jennifer Dagenhart, Kim Baldwin, Jennifer Ashworth, Jennifer Scott, Lisa Douthat, Crystal Day, Cindy Palmer, Pam Young, Sherry Jennings, Lisa Law, Sherry Akers, Scott Humphries; sponsor, Chris Greear, Holly Litchford, Stacy Litchford, Shannon Dillon, Scott Davis, Virginia Ballard, Donnie Woodyard, Todd Ashworth, Scott Detamore, Bunny Wil-

son, Leigh Clark, Shelly Williams, Mary Ann Paupe, Lori Williams, Hope Crockett, Karen Snidow. Row 3: Heidi Meyers, Anne-Marie Lucas, Sherry Ratcliffe, Karen Bertram, Neil Blankenship, David Greever, Ben Woods, Heather Matlock, Michelle Jennings, Matt Woods, Patrick Butler, Joe Keffer, Mike Meredith, Jason Lucas, Marvin Harless. Back Row: Barry Stephens, Jeff Jeffers, David Ratcliffe, Velvert Francis, Serena Vass, Melina Sanders, Sarah Burn, Justin Wildman, Gary Stephens, Ben Woods, Sean King.



Penciling it in. Christy Whittaker shades in 3-D objects as an art exercise in her Art I class.

Table talk. Students complete their art history worksheets in career education art class.



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Dinner theater.
Juniors Roger Masri and Carol Farmer and seniors Curtis Coleman and Dana Moye play their parts in *Goodbye to the Clown*. The young Thespians spent six weeks practicing and performed the play the night of December 19 for the public.







Art admirers. Juniors Emily Williams, Julie Molique, and Michelle Silver view the art displayed in the library. Each spring, the library hosts the exhibit which displays art from the Art

There's an art to this. Seniors Shannon Eaton and Amy Lugar work on their projects in their Art IV class.



## Fine Arts

### In Pursuit of Springsteen, Simon and Van Gogh

etween calculus and physics, lodged among Transcendentalism, the Bay of Pigs, and  $E = mc^2$ , the human mind has the ability and desire to contemplate beauty. Fine arts classes give students the opportunity to study beauty as it is expressed in music, art, and drama. Guitar, art, and drama comprised the fine arts curriculum that was offered outside organized groups this school year.

Mr. Larry Marion taught a guitar class that included exposure to classical music as well as practical instruction on buying instruments and equipment.

The art department worked tirelessly on their own projects as well as most school projects. Homecoming, Snow Court, prom, and many other events would have been lackluster without the contributions of the art classes.

Speech and drama classes met daily to perfect communications skills and to practice acting. Goodbye to the Clown was presented during fall semester Drama classes, in conjunction with the drama club, participated in the production of The Wizard of Oz during spring semester.

Fine arts played a significant role throughout the school year enriching the lives of students already bogged down by other subjects. Although pursuits such as music, drama and art were once distinguished as aesthetic rather than "useful," no one would argue in favor of the distinction today.

- Cecilia McFaden

Watching the master at work. Mike Meredith watches Michael Clark work on his art project in the Ms. Nancy Eaton's Art I class.

## GOOD SPORTS

ne . . . two . . . three . . . four . . . "echoed through the hall as gym students completed their warm-up exercises. While some students were sitting in a hot classroom slaving over a book, other students were having fun in a class they enjoyed.

Physical education was a required class for eighth through tenth grades, but some students took advanced gym in their later years of high school. The curriculum of all gym classes consisted of participation in sports such as volleyball, football, basketball, softball, golf, and soccer, plus a winter classroom session teaching

health to eighth grades, first aid to freshmen, driver's ed to sophomores, and all three grade levels were taught the newly implemented family life curriculum. But most students enjoyed getting out and playing sports instead of sitting in a classroom. Sophomore Shane Rundgren commented, "Gym is different from my other classes — it's fun!"

But gym was not the only physical education class. Weightlifting was also offered. The majority of the students were athletes who, with time-consuming sports practices after-school found it more convenient to "build their bodies" during school hours. Students in

this class learned proper exercise and weightlifting techniques and applied these skills in the newly remodeled weightlifting room.

If students were having a bad day, or were just worried about a class, a girlfriend, a boyfriend, or whatever, gym class usually gave them a chance to calm down and forget their problems. And most agreed with senior Paula Suttle who said, "It gave me a chance to relax and get rid of stress."

— Joe Allen

Keep your eye on the ball.
Sophomore Shane Rundgren takes a pitch
from coach Ricky Lee. He ultimately batted
a single, and both teams tied 7-7.



Teacher's aide. Mrs. Eugena Floyd assists Bonnie Clark with her assignment in her freshmen first aid class.

Safe! Sophomore Eugene Whittaker slides into first just before classmate gets the ball.



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Stretching out. In their tenth grade P.E. class, Wendy Abel, Shannon Dillon, and Stephanie Kirk assist Melissa Carter in doing her "stretch test" for her presidential physical fitness evaluation, while Coach Eugena Floyd records her highest score.

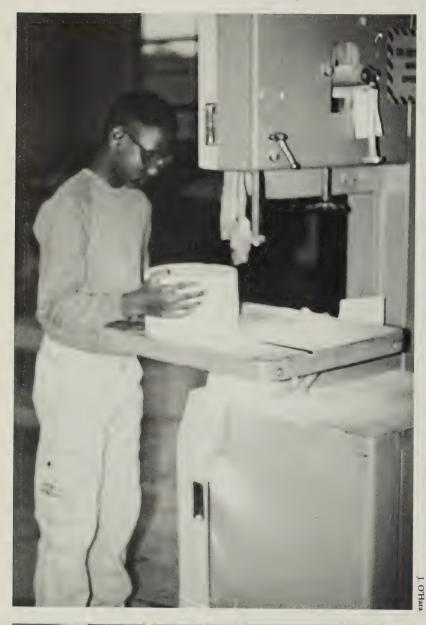
Watching for the birdie. Michael Smith plays badminton in his freshmen gym class.



Sitting down on the job. Sophomore gym class students do sit-ups as part of their warm-up exercises. The "warm-ups" also included push-ups jumping-jacks, and windmills.



It Takes Patient Hands. Eighth grader Tommy Redd works on a project for career ed. shop. Saw the Sides. Mr. Jerry Covey helps eighth graders Mart Farrier and Raypheal Milton with a plaque they are making.







Input...Output.
Members of Mr. Vic Edward's computer applications class type in a program as a class assignment.

Drawing the Line. Junior J.J. Johnson finishes an assignment along with other students in Mr. Jerry Albert's basic technical drawing class.





## A New Dimension in Learning

any students, after graduating, go to college to get a job; but many students graduate with the training they need to enter directly into the work force.

Vocational education classes. offered students training in fields such as office duties, drafting and architecture, agriculture, and domestic applications.

Course such as typing accounting, office systems, and computer applications composed the business training courses. Students learned basic typing skills, accounting techniques, dictation, secretarial skills, and how to use a word processor.

In basic technical and advanced technical drawing classes, students learned drafting, engineering, and construction skills. Sophomore Chris Wiscarson commented, "I like basic tech because it helps me learn architecture, which is what I want to do when I grow up.'

Agriculture I-V gave students a chance to learn farm skills and the repair of farm equipment. These courses were important to the many students in the area who planned on becoming farmers or working in the agricultural field.

Life management courses consisted of home economics and child development classes. In home ec, as it was called, the year was divided into units, such as child care, where students learned how to handle children. Other units

covered were cooking and nutrition, interior decorating, and a self-development unit where students learned to analyze themselves, and learned to compliment others' achievements. The year ended for the class with a sewing unit. Each student created and designed his/her own pair of shorts. At year's end, eighth grader Velvet Francis said, "I learned a lot of the basic skills that it takes to make it through life."

Obviously, vocational education classes were a welcome change from the everyday classes most students took. Educational and fun - what better way to learn?

- Kevin McDaniel and Dana Moye







It's all in the Wrists. Sophomore Timmy Dalton types a letter in typing class.

Class Participation. Mrs. Janice Gautier discusses the class objectives for the child care unit they are beMirror, mirror on the wall. Senior Dulcie Morris preps junior Jennifer Snider for her perm. Bedside manner. Nursing instructor Nancy Dowdy demonstrates to students Anna Hevers, Trish Dalton, and Carol Griggs, how to properly give a shot to a patient.







A solid foundation for learning. Mr. Ed Wilson, building trades instructor, shows the senior vocational building trades class how to properly shingle the roof of the modular home that they are building.

Red hot! Senior Jamie Dirico uses a propane torch to mend scaffolding in his welding class.







### **EXPERIENCE** SOME REAL LIFE

Thile the majority of students headed for their classes, another group of students made a bee-line to a place where they could gain hands-on experience. Experience that could place them in a job right after high school. This place was the Giles County Vocational School. The school catered to the students in the 11th and 12th grades of both Narrows and Giles High Schools. The unique courses the school offered provided reallife experience with equipment similar to that found in everyday work settings. "It's like working and learning at the same time. It's nothing like high school classes!" commented senior drafting student Larry Meredith. As this was the opinion of most vocational students, they were still required to attend high school classes half of the school day. The vocational schedule was split where juniors used the vocational school in the morning and the seniors used it in the afternoon. This allowed students to fulfill their regular class requirements such as English, government, and history, while having a three hour vocational period each day.

Students with a love of cars, chose autobody or automechanics. Autobody taught all of the aspects of repairing the body of a car, a process that included sanding, rust proofing, undercoating, priming and painting, whereas automechanics taught the repair of the actual engine, drive train, and other related parts. The students of both classes had access to a full working garage where they worked on cars for the public.

Phantoms of the fumes. Senior Autobody students Josh Tate and Kevin Hughes, safely shielded from hazardous paint fumes, prime a car in the autobody garage.

Welding and machine shop taught students different types and uses of welders and welding equipment. Machine shop taught how to use equipment such as metal lathes, milling machines, and drill presses.

Drafting offered varied education in the same class. Students in the course could choose between architecture or engineering drawing. Architecture students drew a full set of working blueprints, and engineering students drew many different types of electrical and mechanical drawings.

Nursing taught the basic care of patients, and prepared students for careers in the medical field. This course was often considered the most comprehensive class, where its students had to be very dedicated. The students not only had to complete the classroom units and tests, but also had to do volunteer work at Montgomery County and Giles Memorial hospitals, and pass many state examinations to be eligible for certification.

Cosmetology, like autobody, called on the patronship of the community. Many people from the surrounding area obtained the services of the cosmetology department for their hair care. In return for giving senior vocational students experience, the patrons could get prices up to 80% cheaper than in a regular salon.

Whether or not the vocational graduates went to college, they were left with valuable skills and the experience that left them with a head start in the "real world."

Word perfect. Senior J.J. Fleeman preps his copy for columnization. Working together. Senior Christy Williams and sponsor Beth Morgan edit copy before having it printed.



## Headline News

teve, I need your movie review so I can print it out!"

"Movie review? I haven't even watched it yet, much less written it!"

"Our deadline's in two days! I need layouts, pictures and people. And, I have writer's block!"

Typewriters buzzed and computers bleeped as the *Spartonian* staff completed another deadline.

This was a normal day for the staff. This year's staff published eight issues. This difficult task called for a lot of hard work and dedication. Junior Melissa Hinchee, staff environmental writer said, "Meeting our deadlines really calls for a lot of selfmotivation. When we're given an assignment, we've got to have it in, or the paper doesn't go out."

Some of the editions that were published had special themes, such as humor for April Fool's Day, romance for Valentine's Day, and the all-time great Senior edition selling for one dollar.

"The students really look forward to the newspapers because they're interested in what's going on right now," replied junior Michael Hogue, arts specialist.

As each staff member worked on his or her own contribution to the paper, sponsor Ms. Beth Morgan presided over it all. When asked how she liked the job, she said, "Getting it all together was really tedious and time consuming, but it was worth seeing the finished product."

When the paper finally came hot off the press and into the students' hands, there was no doubt of the team-work and pride put into the finished product.

- Emily Williams

Proofreading the product. Senior Curtis Coleman reads his section in the latest issue of the *Spartonian*. Regular issues sold for 25¢.







Cutting up. Senior Christy Williams cuts and pastes the "ten year predictions" for the "Senior Issue" of the *Spartonian*.







Front row: Sponsor Bob Lilly, Christy Williams, Curtis Coleman, Paula Suttle, J.J. Fleeman, Eddie Adams, Steve Walker.

Back row: Angie Stump, Melissa Hinchee, Michael Hogue, Jo Hardy, Carrie Dean, Sherry Collie.

**Write Away.**Junior Sherry Colley writes copy information to meet the next deadline.

Teacher's Advice. Sponsor Cecilia McFaden helps senior Dana Moye on a caption for a sports picture.

It's like this. Seniors Dana Moye, Travis Hale, Kevin McDaniel, and Lory Stafford check out a finished layout sheet for mistakes.



Keeping the lines straight. Junior Suzanne Eaton uses a ruler to help her out on a layout sheet.

Keyed in on things. Junior Amy Wright watches the activity around her while writing captions.







## With Another Edition Came Another Year of

# ANNUAL ANXIETIES

ays flew by as another deadline rapidly approached. Pictures were taken and printed, layouts quickly finalized, and each quarter of the book mailed off with literally only seconds to spare. This described what was involved with the publication of the 1991 Shield.

The new year began in June with seniors Kevin McDaniel and Lory Stafford attending a three-day "Yearbooks for Excellence" workshop at Lynchburg College. The seminar was sponsored by Hunter/Jostens publishing company. There students learned better copywriting, layout techniques and theme design, and participated in a best theme and best yearbook contest.

August came, and the senior staff worked on a theme. September brought a new school year, a new class, and a new adviser. "I was both excited and anxious about working on such a project," commented Mrs. Cecilia McFaden. As the months passed, copy

was written, revised, rewritten, and revised again. Section editors worked with their staffs to produce layouts, and the entire staff contributed to the photography. "It was a team effort . . . it made it easier to get everything done to meet our deadlines," commented senior Dana Moye.

To meet publishing costs that soared to over \$15,000, the staff sponsored two dances and sold candy after school. Enough funds were raised to keep the price of the book at \$30, the same as the year before.

Spring brought another addition to the staff. *Auto Copy I* was a word processing program used to make indexing easier and faster.

Summer came and with the last deadline finally met, junior Jeannie Smith of the 1992 Shield staff said, "I can't wait to get started on next year's book!" But no one could deny that publishing a yearbook was Never Quite Like This!

- Kevin McDaniel





A...B...C...
Senior Joe Allen, and juniors Matt Witt,
Tim Elliot, and Stephen Mertz sort the
school pictures for the People section.

Front row: Sponsor Cecelia McFaden, Travis Hale, Kevin McDaniel, Dana Moye, Lory Stafford, Joe Allen. Second row: Amy Wright, Suzanne Eaton, Emily Williams, Jeannie Smith. Back row: Tim Elliott, Chuck Gentry, Matt Witt, Stephen Mertz.

### Selling their wares. ADD member Suzanne Harrison, and sponsor Anne Wheeler sell candy after school to raise money for their many proj-

aunting their loot. ICA members Neil Perdue, Joe Merdith, Shannon Lucas, Travis Nester, and Scott Perkins count the food items they collected to give to their adopted family for Christmas. Most clubs participated in adopting a family from the Pearisburg Angel Tree.









Titching a ride.

anging on to the car, juniors Carol Farmer and Renee Gautier, and senior Lory Stafford, all members of the Monogram Club, ride in the club's float in the homecoming parade.

Pointing the right way. lanning the annual variety show, Hi-Y members Geof Allen, John Howard, and Joe Coffey listen as sponsor Alan McGraw points out a platform backstage will have to be moved.



# NEVER GIVING UP

from the Pep club to the History club, organizations provided students a chance to pursue interests outside of their classes.

A club is the idea of students banding together to accomplish a common goal. The biggest goal of the year for a lot of clubs was the preservation of the environment. Service clubs lived up to their name by picking up litter, planting trees, and encouraging recycling, and the Science club sponsored a bulletin board which showed students the outcome of neglecting the earth.

Clubs also merged school and community. The drama club called on the services of over one hundred students, faculty, and community members who performed in and designed the set and costumes for *The Wizard of Oz.* A new club, S.M.A.R.T. (Spartans Making a Right Turn), combined with the com-

munity in supporting ideas of drug-free fun, and all clubs participated in donating food, clothing, and other necessities to needy families in the area.

But most importantly, clubs gave students something to do. The SCA sponsored Snow Court. Foreign Language clubs made students aware of the benefits of foreign languages through club activities. The History Club took national honors in the History Day competition. And MACC and chess offered students a chance to test their academic abilities in a competitive situation.

With all of this success backed by determination and support, clubs had an unlimited variety of activities which enhanced a student's academic discipline and allowed them to get involved in the success and pride that came through NEVER GIVING UP.

- Kevin McDaniel



Tri-Hi-Y
Front Row: Cheryl Rowland; Sponsor, Lory Stafford, Deidra Kessinger, Julie Bohn, Carrie Dean, Daphne Atkins. Row Two: Shelley Young, Jenny Farrier, Angie Stump, Jeannie Journell. Row Three: Kim Morris, Susan Stafford, Stephanie Saunders, Ora Lea Lucas, Daphne Rogers, Heather Smith. Back Row: Christina Atkins, Melinda Smith, Melissa Rumberg, Michelle Mahaffey, Jean Ann Bailey, Dayna Lassinger, Melina Sanders, Mealanie Dudding.



Hi-Y
Front Row: Alan McGraw; sponsor, Craig Gowdy, Joe Coffey, Stacy Hurchinson, Billy Farrier, Ron Masri. Row Two: Tommy Lester, Chris Lugar, Wally Lindsey, Shane Rundgren, Geof Allen. Row Three: Brent Rampey, Roger Masri, Mike Slusser, Kelvin Dooley, Jared Wilburn, J.J. Fleeman. Back Row: Kevin McDaniel, Brian Pfister, Chuck Gentry, Steve Walker, J.J. Johson, Rusty Newby.



Keyettes Front Row: Lynn Sutphin; sponsor, Angela Lester, Melissa Kirk, Tyree West, Amy Lugar, Ginny Guthrie, Shannon Eaton, Linda Knott; sponsor. Back Row: Stacy Morris, Andy Harrell, Tonja Smith, Leslie Vest, Amy Wright, Sherry Meredith, Kim Fisher, Karen Hudson.



Key Front Row: Jim Jackson; sponsor, Stephen Mertz, Roger Masri, Matt Witt, Ron Masri, Jeff Jeffers. Row Two: Scott Detamore, David Ratcliffe, Derek Fontaine, Travis Hale, Daniel Hedrick, Chris Crews. Back Row: Chris Vest, Jamie Gusler.





"See, it's like this . . . "
Tri-Hi-Y president Lory Stafford gives directions to the Methodist church where the initiation took place.

Lets relax. Hi-Y officer Billy Farrier takes a bre during a club meeting.

## Extending an open heart and a

# HELPING HAND

hat do dedication, hard work, and preservation of the environment have in common? They all describe the goals of four very active service clubs.

Two of them were the Hi-Y and the Tri-Hi-Y, both branches of the YMCA. Their motto was, "to strive to create, maintain, and extend throughout the home, school, and community, high standards of Christian character." As an environmental service project, Hi-Y planted trees throughout the county.

Tri-Hi-Y spent their year with many projects to keep them busy. They put "thumbs-up" on honor roll students' lockers. They also planted trees around the county and ended the year by making

some of the decorations for prom. Students purchasing advance tickets arrived at prom to find their names written on wall decorations. Senior Lory Stafford commented, "I enjoyed being the president of a club where the girls contributed to better the community."

Both clubs attended Model General Assembly. Students selected officers which were voted on at regional levels by several school. These officers then went to statewide MGA where they argued and passed bills according to state government procedures.

Two other service clubs were the Key Club and the Keyettes. Both were sponsored by the local chapter of the Kiwanis club. Although they shared a name and the same sponsor, they had very different goals.

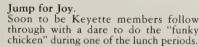
To be a Keyette, a girl had to be a sophomore at least, and endure the initiation. The inductees were made to do whatever a senior

member of the club told them. This included dancing in the cafeteria during second lunch, and being covered in flour, water, and other messy items. After initiation the club sold candy bars to raise funds to help out with Special Olympics and the annual mother/ daughter dinner.

The Key Club's major concern was bettering the environment. Club members, sophomores and older, picked up litter along highway 460. Later in the year, they attended a state-wide convention in Norfolk to exchange ideas with other Key Club members.

Many students participated in service clubs, making them very successful in fulfilling their goals. Junior Stephen Mertz explained a service club member's dedication by saying, "It's a great feeling to know you had something to do with improving the world we live in."

- Kevin McDaniel & Jeannie Smith







Getting it all ready. Tri-Hi-Y members Deidra Kessinger and Jenny Farrier work on prom decorations.



AIASA James O'Hara; Sponsor, Wes Lucas, Shane Meredith, Micheal Clark, Ben Reed, Zack Zdams, Rod Hilton.



FBLA
Front Row: Jerry Huffman; Sponsor, Ginny Guthrie, Christy Williams, Dana Moye, Pam Burton
Billy Farrier. Row Two: Stacy Morris, Carrie Dean, Beth Kirk. Back Row: Treena Snider, Jamie
Moser, Curris Johnson, Jamie Brown.



FFA
Front Row: Jerry Covey: Sponsor, Jerry Trenar, Donnie Woodyard, Brian Cumbee, Butch Caldwell, Chris Higgs. Row Two: Mike Albert, Robert Conley, Travis Keffer, Joe St. Clair, Matt Wiley, Travis Sarver, Jason Clark. Back Row: Travis Worley, Jamie Caldwell, Arthur Conley, Jamie Gusler, Hank Wilson, John Midkiff, Mike Eads, Troy Sarver.



FHA
Front Row. Janice Gautier; Sponsor, Renee Gautier, Susan Hodge, Mary Ann McPeak, Heather
Martin, Velvet Francis, Hope Harrell. Row Two: Jessica Green, Melissa Holdren, Tammy Clappes,
Angie Dalton, Shirley Johnson. Back Row: Serena Vass, Kim Anderson, Tonya Tickle, Jackie
Watts, Naketta Bryant.

## Students Exploring

# A Broadening Horizon.

parking interests or exceptional talents set apart a group of students with their hearts set on the future, while taking a step in the right direction.

These students belonged to one of the largest clubs, Vocational Industrial Clubs of America, known as VICA. This group of young ladies and gentlemen were enrolled in the Vocational School. Several went to workshops to learn more about different fields of interest. All took the state VICA exam, which tests knowledge in specific areas. Field trips were taken to state meetings where participants became "voting delegates" to amend the statewide VICA laws. Senior Larry Meredith was the only officer to become elected as a district officer. He commented, "I'm glad that they [the voters] think that I have what it takes.'

A yearly district VICA competition is held to test how vocational students from Giles County, Montgomery County, Radford City, Roanoke, Pulaski, Boutetout, Salem, and Floyd, measure up. Giles County representatives placing in the top three in various categories were as follows: Randy Smith — 1st welding; Randy Meadows — 2nd welding; Mason

Bragg — 2nd building trades
Michelle Huffman — 3rd cosme
tology; Jessie Williams — 1s
machine shop; Mark Jones — 3rd
residential wiring; Butch Caldwel
— 3rd residential plumbing.
Elizabeth Epling — 3rd occupational scrapbook; Larry Meredith — 2nd VICA scrapbook; Ray
Martin — 3rd technical illustration; and Keith Fleeman — 1st
metals. All first place district
winners received an invitation to
compete in the state competition.

FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America) was another club that fostered dreams of successful futures. The sponsors were Mr. Vic Edwards and Mr. Jerry Huffman. According to Mr. Edwards, "Club members learn what it takes to be successful in the business world.' Club members who had a special interest in business and/or were enrolled in a business class. The members competed in various categories such as typing and shorthand.

Getting ahead was the theme of each vocational club, whether is was AIASA, FBLA, FFA, FHA, of VICA. These students put in much time and energy to get that extredge that put them ahead of the rest.

- Jeannie Smi

"Attention!"
FFA members listen as President Jer
Trenar calls the meeting to order.



Taking it all in. Members of AIASA watch and learn during a video presentation on Club Day.



K. McDaniel

The New Style.
Junior Renee Gautier assures senior
Wanda Dalton this is the right dress for
her.



Pep Club Front Row: Shelia Craine; Sponsor, Stacy Smith, Stacy Morris, Ricki Journell, Kari Jennelle, Eugena Floyd, Sponsor. Row Two: Tonja Shortt, Lisa Crigger, Julie Bohn, Heather Smith, Stephanie Saunders, Ora Lea Lucas, Susan Stafford, Teresa Dowdy. Row Three: Karen Hudson, Deidra Kessinger, Dayna Lasinger, Jean Ann Bailey, Christin Mustard, Michelle Mahaffey, Missy Mills, Mary Williams. Back Row: Mary Ann Paupe, Susan McPeak, Melissa Thornhill, Lisa Law, Melanie Dudding, Sabrina Simpson.



FCA
Front Row: Leslie Lucas; Sponsor, Melissa Kirk, Brent Rampey, Carol Farmer, Shannon Eaton,
Travis Hale, Stacy Smith. Row Two: Sherry Colley, Rence Gautier, Emily Williams, Jennifer
Jefters, Row: Three: Deidra Kessinger, Suzanne Eaton, Wally Lindsay, Michelle Silver, Scott
Lisman, Melissa Hinchee. Back Row: Curris Coleman, Christy Williams, Stephanie Kirk, Stephen
Mertz, Rick Sparks, Katherine Coffey, Tonja Smith.



Monogram
Front Row: Craig Gowdy, Jeannie Journell, Carol Farmer. Row Two: Cindy Howell, Shannon Dillion, Stacy Morris, Renee Gautier, Julie Bohn, Carrie Dean, Jennie Adams. Row Three: Stacy Smith, Wally Lindsay, Brent Rampey, Geoff Allen. Ron Masri, Susan Kirk, Kim Morris, Wendy Abel, Back Row: Micheal Shannon, Scott Detaqmore, Jared Wilburn, Steve Walker, Chuck Gentry, Rick Farrell, Shawn King, Missy Mills, Tonya Anderson.



Pulling their weight. FCA members Sherri Jennings and Christy Williams participate in a tire pull contest at FCA retreat.



Sending a spirited message for fans to . . .

# GET HYPED UP!

hether it's fall, winter, or spring sports, clubs kept the flame of spirit burning bright.

"Although I'm leaving, I hope that the school gains more and more spirit, because spirit is the best thing a school can have," commented pep club president Stacy Smith. This was exactly what the pep club did. The club was responsible for the spirited messages on the cafeteria bulletin board. During football season, members painted windows of various local businesses, this enabled the members to show their Spartan pride, while urging the

community to support their local school. In a successful effort to show support of sports, help keep players siked, and get fans adrenaline pumping, locker decorations were placed on sports participants' lockers.

Another club that supported sports was the monogram club. The monogram club was for students who had earned a letter in any varsity sport. In exchange for labors at the concession stand during basketball games, members received discounts on letterman jackets.

- Jeannie Smith



Science.
Front Row: Bob Price; sponsor, Curtis Coleman, Wally Lindsesy, Sherry Akers, Earl Ventry; sponsor. Row Two: Sara Burn, Layla Moss, Donnie Woodyard, Shannon Miller. Back Row: Scott Detamore, Holger Everly, Stephen Mertz, Perry Martín.



Reading Tutor.
Front Row: Liz Shaver; sponsor, Sami Vest, Cathy Thornhill, Julie Bohn, Lynn Sutphin, sponsor, Row Two: Mary Williams, Tammy Johnson, Carla Smith, Tammy Pittman. Back Row: Hope Harrell, Pam Young.



History.
Front Row: Deidra Kessinger. Amy Wright, W.R. Johnston; sponsor, Chris Shaver, Ginny Guthrie, Michele Huffman, Melissa Hinchee, Shelley Young, Julie Molique. Row Two: Charlie Henderson, Tonja Smith, Angela Lester, Suzanne Earon, Emily Williams, Jenny Farrier, Tammy Adkins, Stacy Morris, Heidi Guthrie, Jeannie Lambert, Stacy Smith, Heidi Noble. Row Three: Stephanie Kirk, Tonya Anderson, Carol Farmer, Jennie Adams, Christine Lambert, Jeannie Smith, Sherry Meredith. Karen Hudson, Kristin Mustard, Jean Ann Bailey, Michelle Robertson, Michelle Silver. Row Four: Katherine Coffey, Ron Masri, Paula Suttle, Dana Moye, Mary Ann Paupe, Jason Borillo, Stephen Stephens, Scott Detamore, Mart Witt, Brian Lisman, Eddie O'Dell. Scott Lisman, Melissa Kirk, Curtis Coleman, Lory Stafford. Back Row. Kim Morris, Stephanie Clark, Joe Allen, Todd Abel, Keith Vaught, Daniel Hedrick, Roger Masri, Chuck Gentry, Brent Rampey, Joe Coffey, Stacy Hutchison, Kevin McDaniel, Rick Farrell, Brian Pfister.





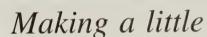
Senior Steve Walker takes photographs of Japanese-Americans for *History Day* presentation.



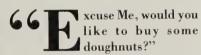
Mr. Johnston tries to get the attention of history club members during a meeting.

Decorum! Seniors Joe Coffey and Lory Stafford look over a resolution at Model U.N





# HISTORY



This is how most history club members spent their Saturdays. But even though there was a complaint every now and then, the history club could not have made history without those doughnut and pizza sales.

The first event that was made possible was Model United Nations. The team was made up of twelve students who traveled to Norfolk to participate in simulated U.N. sessions dealing with world problems and their solutions.

The second event was National History Day. There were two teams that competed. Joe Coffey, Michele Huffman, Ginny Guthrie, Melissa Hinchee and Roger Masri competed in the performance category and received an eighth place national ranking. Their live performance entitled The Justice Zone dealt with the relationship of the Bill of Rights and the use of Capital Punishment. They received a superior rating and a 296 score out of a possible 300 points.

Steve Walker, Chris Shaver, Shelley Young, Julie Molique and Brent Rampey competed in the media category with an entry entitled "America's Legal Shame: The Imprisonment of a Race". The group dealt with the Japanese-American Interment during World War II and the Constitutional Rights denied to them. The presentation ranked eleventh in the overall national competition receiving a score of 291 and a superior rating. Junior Julie Molique commented "The competition got more exciting at each level and it was interesting to see if we were equal to the challenge both as individuals and as a team.'

Model U.N. and National History Day participants helped make history for the history club. Lory Stafford and W.R. Johnston



I know you're here somewhere. Junior Brent Rampey searches for a slide for the *History Day* slide presentation.



Art
Front Row: Rhonda Reed; sponsor, Jared Wilburn, Mike Slusser, Tyree West, Keith Vaught,
Stephanie Vast, Chris Kellison, Row Two: Cindy Howell. Carla Smith, Crystal Foster, Shannon
Collins, Angela Lester, Karen Hudson, Chad Williams, Row Three: Shawn Falls, Chris Crews,
Amy Lugar, April Wilson, Steven Franklin, Susan Stafford, Crystal Ramos, Renee Stebar. Back
Row: Jeremy Lang, Brian Fisher, Missy Mills, Joe Allen, Valen West, Anne Edwards, Rusty Newby,
Jamie Gusler, Darrell Whittaker, Blake Hammons.



Front Row: Deidra Kessinger, Stacy Mortis, Shelley Young, Daphne Atkins. Row Two; Shelly Williams, Heidi Myers, Ricki Jennelle, Kari Jennelle, Mary Ann Dowdy, Shelly Martin, Carolyn Ballard, Kim Cherry, Christina Blankenship, Hearher Martin, Scott Lisman, Row Three; Dardy, Kim Baldwin, Stephanie Snider, Julie Bohn, Suzanne Eaton, Jenny Farrier, Holly Myers, Virginia Ballard, Heather Weatherdy, Jennifer Scott. Row Four: Hope Cockett, Danya Lassinger, Kristin Mustard, Jean Ann Bailey, Stephanie Sanders, Heather Smith, Stephen Mertz, Stephanie Clark, Kim Mortis, Susan Stafford, Marvin Harless. Back Row: Brian Pfister, Curtis Coleman, David Williams, Roger Masri, Chuck Gentry, Rick Farrell, Missy Mills, Stephanie Kirk, Tonya Anderson, Susan Kirk, Tanya Vaught.



Drama
Front Row: Laura McGraw: sponsor, Ron Masri, Roger Masri, Geof Allen, Travis Hale, Suzanne Harrison. Row Two: Andy Harrell, Susan Hodge, Shelley Young, Carol Farmer, Becky Cady, Steve Walker, Jenniter Jetferts, Joe St. Clair. Row Three: Mary Williams. Curtis Coleman, Chuck Gentry. Kim Fisher, Ginny Guthrie, Jeannie Journell, Carrie Dean, Lori Tabor, Lucy Lambert, Tracie Steele. Row Four: Melinda Smith, Dana Moye. Tina Tickle, Jean Ann Bailey, Kristin Mustard, Lisa Law, Melissa Thornhill, Stacy Smith, Deidra Kissinger, Sherry Akers. Back Row: Treena Snider, April Wilson, Melissa Hinchee, Brian Pfister, Craig Gowdy, Chris Shaver, Tyree West, Kevin McDaniel, Valen West, J.D. Price, James Mann.



That's not right!"

Williams

During practice for *The Wizard of Oz*, junior Roger Masri corrects freshman Jennifer Jeffers as she reads her lines for Dorothy as senior Craig Gowdy looks on.

"I came right home!"
Jennifer Jeffers plays Dorothy in the production of *The Wizard of Oz.* 



### Drama . . .

# A Sensational Event

ome students found out what it was like to be in the spot light; learning about different forms of drama.

Often considered one of the most "productive" clubs of the school the drama club headed by Mrs. Laura McGraw appealed to members who all shared an interest in the big spotlight.

The biggest production of the year was the musical, "The Wizard of Oz." The play was pre-

As seniors Craig Gowdy (Tinman), Geof

Allen (Cowardly Lion), and Travis Hale

(Scarecrow) ask freshman Jennifer Jeffers

(Dorothy) for directions, she asks them

"Which way is the Oz?"

the same question.

sented by the Drama Club, the music department, the Art Club, with the help of many other individuals. Tryouts were held in December. Jennifer Jeffers played the role of Dorothy. Travis Hale, Craig Gowdy, and Geof Allen received the parts of the Scarecrow, the Tin Man, and the Lion, respectively. Mrs. Laura McGraw and Mr. Larry Marion supervised and directed the practices.

The art club designed the props under the supervision of Mrs. Reed and Ms. Eaton with the assistance of building trades, world of construction, and agriculture students. Ms. Nancy Eaton designed and constructed the costumes. She spent more than six hours on the lion's head alone. Junior Carol Farmer, a participant in the play, commented, "I think it [the play] was a huge success."

Another advantage of the drama club was members also took two field trips to Concord College. The first trip was to see the ballet Dracula. The second trip was to see the play Joseph and the Technicolor Dream Coat. These field trips gave students a chance to learn different techniques of drama while having a good time with friends.

- Jeannie Smith







"Yes, we did it!"
"The Wizard of Oz" cast take a bow and show their happiness as the first showing is

"Don't you hurt yourself when you fall!"

Dorothy (Jennifer Jeffers) helps the Scarecrow (Travis Hale) up after he had fallen.



National Honor Society
Front Row: Karen Yolton; sponsor, Rick Farrell, Ginny Guthrie, Joe Coffey, Pam Burton. Row
Two: Jo Hardy, Jennie Adams, Stacy Morris, Angela Lester, Shelley Young, Emily Williams, Renee
Gautier. Row Three: Jenny Farrier, Heidi Noble, Wally Lindsay, Melissa Hinchee, Suzanne Eaton,
Julie Molique, Melissa Thornhill, Jeannie Journell. Back Row: Ron Masri, Stacy Hurchinson, Chris
Shaver, Brent Rampey, David Williams, Jeff Jeffers, Daphne Arkins, Sherry Akers.



SAE Front Row: Alicia Coulter; sponsor, Carolyn Ballard, Kristi Hale, Melissa Thornhill, Margret Redmond; Sponsor, Back Row: Angel Bales, Chad Williams, Stephen Mertz, Kristi McCall, Holly Litchford, Jenny Lambert.



S.M.A.R.T. Front Row: Jeff Jeffers, Amy Wright, Deidra Kessinger, Travis Hale, Larry Marion; sponsor. Back Row: Brent Rampey, Stephanie Kirk, Melissa Kirk, Julie Molique.





"I can't believe I ate the whole thing!" Junior Brent Rampey is stuffed after having a midnight snack at the S.M.A.R.T. retreat.

Taking it all in. Sean King and Jeff Jeffers listen as officer Willy Lucas explains the harmful effects of drugs.





Getting high on life. S.M.A.R.T. team members present their skit for eighth graders. It's a chain reaction.
Juniors Julie Molique and Deidra Kessinger, Freshmen Kristi McCall, Kenny Osborne and Chris Albert and eighth grader Donnie Woodyard write compliments on each other's back to help grow their self-esteem.



## Anyone can be

# S.M.A.R.T.

M.A.R.T.... Spartans
Making A Right Turn

... You don't have to
have good grades anymore to be
smart and make a right turn toward a drug-free life. This is what
approximately fifty students have
chosen to do throughout their high
school years.

It all started last July, when Travis Hale, Jeff Jeffers, Deidra Kessinger, Amy Wright, and sponsor Larry Marion packed their bags and headed for Mary Baldwin College in Stanton, Va. to attend the sixth annual Y.A.D.A.P.P. (Youth Against Alcohol and other Drugs Prevention Project) Conference. Y.A.D.A.P.P. was a week for 400 students to come together to help win the fight against drug abuse.

In order to learn how to do this, they attended 45 minute workshops. "The workshops taught us things that helped us to form our own group at GHS," commented junior Amy Wright.

When they returned, they decided that each of them was to invite one person to join the group. They chose Stephanie Kirk, Julie Molique, Melissa Kirk, and Brent Rampey. Soon after that, they became the S.M.A.R.T. Team.

The S.M.A.R.T. Team performed a skit for several groups entitled *Choices*, which showed a girl getting wrapped up in drugs and alcohol and losing her friend, until she tries to drop her habits. Then a friend comes back and helps her to quit using drugs and alcohol. This skit is to show that

even though you may be in trouble, you can always get help just by asking a friend or a member of the S.M.A.R.T. Team.

The Team also planned a retreat/lock-in to involve more students. This was held in March with guest speakers Willy Lucas (a local police officer), Mary Henderson (school nurse), and Debbie Cokeran (school psychologist) who spoke on the effects of drug abuse and building self-esteem. At the end of the retreat, Mr. Marion and the S.M.A.R.T. Team told students what it meant to be SMART and invited them to be SMART also. About fifty students pledged to lead a happy and drugfree life.

- Lory Stafford & Amy Wright



English MACC
Front Row: Shelia Craine; Sponsor, Karen Yolton; Sponsor, Rusty Swope; Sponsor, Row Two:
Carol Farmer, Lisa Law, Susan Stafford, Virginia Ballard, Carolyn Ballard. Back Row: Suzanne
Harrison, Daniel Hedrick, Kevin McDaniel, Melissa Hinchee, Ginny Guthrie, Jeannie Journell.



Social Studies MACC Front Row: Nancy Peters; Sponsor, Jason Borillio, Perry Martin, Patrick Butler. Row Two: Charlie Henderson, Steve Walker, James Mann. Back Row: Chris Shaver, Stephen Mertz, Scott Lisman.



Science MACC
Front Row Cheryl Rowland, Sponsor, Earl Ventry; Sponsor, Row Two: Melissa Prechard, Donnie
Waldron, Becky Kady, Stacy Litchford, Cindy Palmer, Row Three: Jenny Farrier, Scott Detamore,
Andria Campbell, Holly Litchford, Patrick Butler, Perry Martin, Back Row: Kevin McDaniel,
Holger Epling, Brent Rampey, Tim Elliott.



Math MACC Front Row: Mark Vinson, James Clark. Back Row: Ron Masri, Joe Coffey, Rick Farrell.



All Around MACC Front Row: Laura McGraw: Sponsor, Suzanne Harrison, Ginny Guthrie. Row Two: Donnie Waldron, Steve Walker, James Mann, Kevin McDaniel. Back Row: Ron Masri, Joe Coffey, Chris Shaver, Stephen Mertz, Rick Farrell.





Excuse me, I have a question. Science MACC members Kenny Os-borne, Patrick Butler, and Perry Martin study in between meets.

And the winner is . . .? Senior Kevin McDaniel receives the third place trophy for the All-Around team for regular district play.



## MEETING OF THE MINDS

"Giles?!" 'Six times the square root of seven."

"Yes, that is correct."

The Mountain Academic Competition Conference (MACC) was made up of five different teams: English, Math, Science, Social Studies and All Around.

Although all five were mainly underclassmen teams, they competed with experience and hours of practice behind them. During each meet, up to four members of each team competed. Each round consisted of two parts. The first contained ten directed questions, during which conferring was allowed, for each team. The second part of the round consisted of ten toss-up questions of which either team could buzz in if they knew the answer.

Each team earned a rank in the Western division at the end of the season. The rankings were as follows: Social Studies second (6-2-0); Science and All Around third (5-2-1); English - fifth (4-4-0); and Math — seventh (2-6-0). Along with these rankings Science, Social Studies and All Around received trophies. When Senior Kevin McDaniel, a member of three teams, was asked why he competed in MACC, he replied, "I enjoy the challenge of competition; but even more I enjoy winning.

The Chess team also enjoyed winning. There were fourteen members on this years team. These competitors traveled to various high schools to compete in tournaments. At the State Scholastic Chess Tournament, Jason Borillio ranked first in the state, and teammate Kevin Minnick finished fourth. The team placed second out of eleven teams in the Junior High division.

The team also played in the Atlantic Coast Championship and was placed third. Kevin Minnick was ranked sixth in the East Coast Junior High, while teammate Charlie Henderson won ninth place in the East Coach High School Division.

Coach Jetty O'Quinn summed up the success of the season by saying, "All of our players did a super job."

— Jeannie Smith and Lory Stafford

A job well done. Freshmen Jason Borillo receives a first place trophy at a chess tournament at Pulaski High School.





Front Row: Jetty O'Quinn; Sponsor, Jason Borillo, Mark Vinson, Jennifer Scott, C.G. Thomas; Sponsor, Row Two: Bucky Burton, Scott Davis, Charlie Henderson, Kevin Minnick. Row Three: Sara Burn, Tommy Lester, Bernard Epperly, Powell Wheeler, Brian Rundgren. Back Row: Chris Albert, Marty Smith, Brian O'Quinn, Stephen Mertz,



Spanish
Front Row: Martha Snidow: sponsor, Joe Coffey, Travis Hale, Kim Fisher, Shannon Eaton, Carolyn Ballard, Stacy Hutchinson. Row Two: Tina Tickle, Andy Harrell, Holly Myers, Mark Vinson, Perry Martin, Tonja Smith. Row Three: Suzanne Harrison, Kim Morris, Tommy Lester, Ehzabeth Martin, Jenny Farrier, Melissa Smith, Jeannie Joutnell, Holly Litchford, Stacy Litchford. Row Four: Kristin Mustard, Jean Ann Bailey, Vanessa Alley, Sherry Stump, Susan Kirk, Kristi Hale, Glenn Stowers, Deidra Kessinger, Tonya Anderson. Back Row: John Midkiff, Chastity Mann, Tonya Vaught, Kristi McCall, Stacy Smith, Dayna Lassinger, Rick Farrell, James Mann, Daphne Atkins, Katherine Coffey.



French
Front Row: Jetty O'Quinn, sponsor; Ron Masri, Melanie Dudding, Jo Hardy, Shelley Young,
Melissa Hinchee, Marie Martin, sponsor. Row Two: Renee Gautier, Kim Cherry, Jennifer Scott,
Amy Wright, Leslie Vest, Jason Borillo, Jill Collins. Row Three: Heidi Noble, Melissa Thornhill,
Lisa Law, Kristina Atkins, Stephanie Sanders, Leigh Crockett, Powell Wheeler. Row Four: Chuck
Gentry, Micheal Hogue, Roger Masri, Chris Shaver, Kevin McDaniel, Todd Ashworth. Back Row:
Melissa Kirk, Stephanie Kirk, Michelle Mahaffey, Heather Smith, Ora Lea Lucas, Melinda Smith.



Medical Bob Wilburn; sponsor, Josh Tate, Ray Martin, Lori Tabor, Robert Lambert, Jamie Moser, Lisa Law.





Roger is your man. Junior Roger Masri gives his speech for Sec./Tres.



# At the Hub of It All

# THE SCA

hat do a tiara, half a student handbook, a bouquet of flowers, and a homecoming king have in common? All these things and more were provided by the SCA, the Student Cooperative Association. This is the organization responsible for maintaining the traditional activities that every student expects.

To represent student concerns, an SCA representative was elected by each second period class. SCA officers elected the previous spring were Joe Coffey, president; Stephen Mertz, vice-president; Jeannie Smith, reporter; Melissa Kirk, historian; and Julie Molique, secretary/treasurer.

The SCA organized and paid for the homecoming parade, the court elections, the half-time show, and the dance. For the first time, a homecoming king was elected. These students also sponsored the winter formal, Snow Court, and paid half the publication fees of the student handbook.

On a less festive note, the SCA operated a communication network linking students, faculty, and administration. Mr. Rusty Swope, adviser, said the primary purpose of the SCA was "to provide a vehicle for student opinions and concerns about the operation of the school.

- Lory Stafford



Junior Jeff Jeffers along with seniors Ron Masri, Craig Gowdy and Jared Wilburn and sophomore Stevie Steele sing their rendition of "Duke of Earl"



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SCA
Front Row: Rusty Swope; sponsor, Joe Coffey, Stephen
Mertz, Julie Molique, Melissa Kirk, Jeannie Smith. Row
Two: Clarence Tawney, Tammy Adkins, Renee
Gautier, Ricki Jennell, Emily Williams, Jeannie Journell,
Wanda Dalton, Cindy Howell, Perry Martin. Row
Three: Jason Ratcliffe, Melanie Dudding, Crystal Collins, Chris Fields, Sylvia Dalton, Michele Huffman,
Kristi McCall, Cherron Eaton, Jason Johnson. Back
Row: Mary Ann McPeak, Marshall Young, Maurice
Milton, Ron Masri, Rick Ferrell, Curtis Coleman, Jared
Wilburn, Billy Farrier.



Mertz is the right one. Seniors show their support for the right one baby, Junior Stephen Mertz.

Calm and Crazy!

Campaign manager Larry Meredith freaks out while candidate Suzanne Harrison sits back and relaxes.

Prace yourself.
ecause of a car accident, senior J.J. Fleeman is forced to wear a neckbrace. He only had to wear it for about a week and was the "same as ever" after it came off.

Pancy Footwork.

ootball was almost always played everyday, rain or shine, during all three lunch periods. Juniors Tyrome Anderson, Timmy Smith, Robert Lambert, and Jamie Williams skip lunch entirely to be able to play in the front lawn of the school.







oing Bananas! rowing in the library is a fourteen foot tall banana tree. The tree was nursed by librarians Mrs. Farmer and Mrs. Dunford, who filled the library with many cheerful flowers and plants.

It's in the bag.

Instead of watching the football game, chorale members Rony Masri and Emily Williams help sell concessions at the Bandana Bar. The chorale ran the stand throughout the football season and used the profits to finance their trips.



# NEVER QUITE THE SAME

ith a population of 722 students and 54 faculty and staff, there were many individuals who made differences in every aspect of school. The lifestyles, activities, and ideas of the population had as many varieties as it had number of people. That's what made the school year so special to everyone involved. While some students opted to focus completely on school work, others believed in having a little fun. And in a year of controversial issues such as abortion. freedom of expression, and the right to die, some people took liberal views some took conservative, and some took a mixture

of both. Everyone showed their individual style, whether it was in the clothes they wore, or in the way they acted.

Students were also paired as well as compared. A lot of them shared interests which brought them together in clubs, classes, cliques, and in after-school activities.

So whether it was Mr. McGraw getting a "pie in the face" from Mr. Johnston at the pep rally before the Narrows football game, or the pink stripe in senior Michele Huffman's hair, each person had a special uniqueness which made them never quite the same as anyone else.

- Kevin McDaniel

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Mark Albert 9 Michael Albert 10 Josh Allen 10 Paige Allen 9 Vanessa Alley 10 Stephanie Aman 8 Kim Anderson 11

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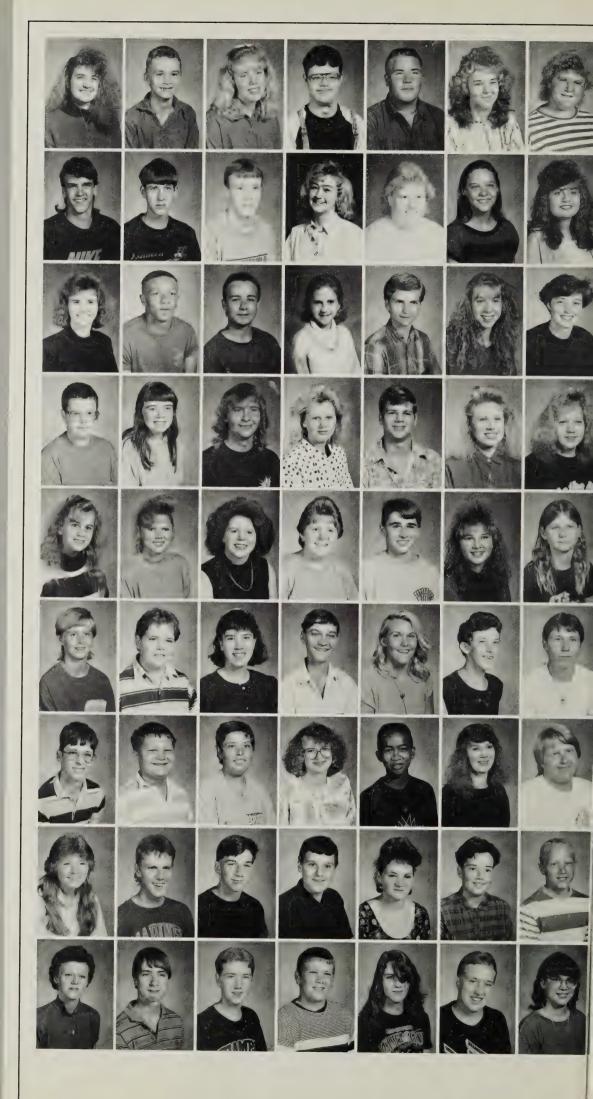
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Mike Blankenship 9 Mickey Blankenship 8 Neil Blankenship 8 Julie Bohn 11 Jason Borillo 9 Debbie Boyd 10 Keith Bratton 11

Crystal Bremer 9 Frankie Broyles 11 Bendy Brumfield 10 Joey Brumfield 9 Naketta Bryant 10 Sara Burn 9 Bucky Burton 9

Christy Burton 11 Jamie Burton 11 Ricky Burton 11 Patrick Butler 9 Becky Cady 11 Joe Cahill 9 Andrea Campbell 10



### xpress Yourself Without Saying a

Yord.

Thile seniors Jamie Brown and Josh Tate,

ke a look at the lunch menu before class
egins, their tee-shirts "say it all."





## Throughout the Halls students

## **JUST SAY IT!**

o ya know? Do ya know? Do ya know? Do ya know what the new sayings were around Giles High throughout the year?! Instead of Hello, how are you?, you probably heard Yo! What 'sup? Students liked to say things their own way.

Throughout a typical high school day, conversations varied, but each one contained phrases familiar to us all.

A few more that gained popularity were, What's the deal?, Ent

... wrong answer, and Can't see it! These were only a few of the killer sayings. Many T-shirts sported the popular phrase U Can't Touch This, which appeared originally in the song by M.C. Hammer.

As times change, so do the popular phrases. The sixties gave us, Can you dig it? During the eighties, popular expressions included far out and awesome. The nineties promise a whole new set of slang expressions to liven up or vocabularies. Who knows what the year 2000 will man to slang?!

So, Get a life and Just do it! Say what you want, however you want, and it might just stick around. C-Ya!

- Suzanne Eaton

Do What?

Before choir class, eighth grader Heather Matlock contemplates the philosophy of Nike (the shoe company, not the Greek God) written on eighth grader Mart Farrier's tee-shirt.



Grant Campbell 8 Wade Carbaugh 11 Jamie Cardwell 10 Eric Carter 8 Melissa Carter 9 Rusty Carter 9 Kim Cherry 9

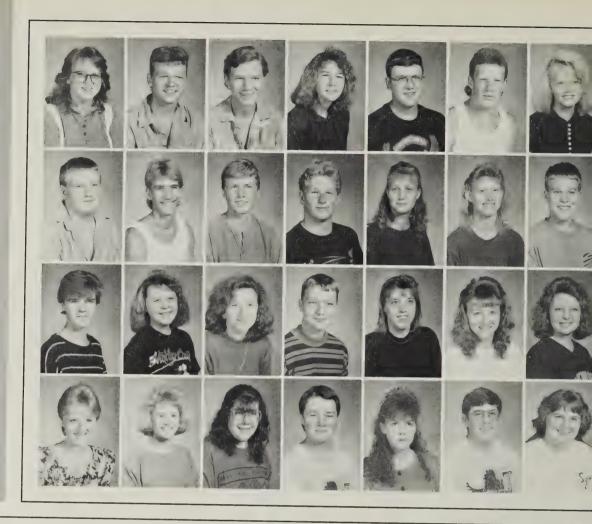
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Jill Collins 9
Steve Collins 10
Arthur Conley 10
Jodie Conley 8

Robert Conley 10 Russell Conley 10 Jason Cook 8 Brian Corboy 10 Marie Cox 8 Missy Cox 9 Brian Crawford 8

Barry Crigger 10 Crystal Crigger 8 Leigh Crockett 8 Brian Cumbee 9 Crystal Cumbee 9 Jennifer Cumbee 9 Linda Cumbee 10

Tammy Cumbee 10 Jennifer Dagenhart 8 Angela Dalton 9 Greg Dalton 9 Kim Dalton 11 Roy Dalton 11 Sylvia Dalton 10



On the Air and Getting

# GREAT RECEPTION

his is Chris Michaels on 990 WNRV..."
Flipping buttons, turning knobs, and changing records might be a job for a big-time radio disc jockey, but this job belongs to junior Chris Mann, alias "Chris Michaels" on the air.

Chris may not find much time to do other things, but he says he doesn't mind. "It's exciting, and I enjoy learning about radio and communications. Junior Melissa Hinchee says, "It's great, and it gives him a chance to work in the real world." Chris works after school and on weekends averaging three to four hours a day. He plays

soft rock and some Top 40. He wants to make a job out of it, and plans to go to college to learn more about radio and communications.

The station where Chris works is an AM frequency now, but it has recently acquired its FM license. Soon it will undergo the complicated conversion of the antenna and electrical equipment to FM. This process will take at least five weeks, and maybe as long as five months. But when it's over, "Chris Michaels," will be back on the air, filling our radios with music and fun.

- Chuck Gentry



This is not a recording.
Junior Chris Mann alias Chris Michaels worl
the weekend shift at WNRV, Narrows.



Timmy Dalton 10 Verlin Dalton 8 Chris Davis 8 Kelly Davis 9 Scott Davis 9 Carrie Dean 11 Shelly Defrice 9

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Teresa Dowdy 11 Melanie Dudding 10 Duane Dunbar 11 Chris Dunn 8 Jason Dunn 9 Michael Eads 11 Cherron Eaton 9

Suzanne Eaton 11 Holger Everly 11 Ann Edwards 11 Tim Elliott 11 Bernard Epperly 9 Diane Evans 11 Shawn Falls 9

Carol Farmer 11 Shannon Farmer 11 Tessa Farrell 9 Jenny Farrier 11 Mart Farrier 8 Chris Fields 9 Brian Fisher 10

Randy Fisher 11 Ray Fisher 10 Charles Fletcher 11 Heather Fletcher 8 Terry Fletcher 10 Derek Fontaine 9 Crystal Foster 11

Stephanie Foster 8 Velvet Francis 8 Stephen Franklin 9 Jared French 8 Katrina Gardener 8 Henry Garlic OC Renee Gautier 11

Chuck Gentry 11 Lori Glaze 8 Shannon Gray 10 Christopher Greear 10 Jessica Green 8 David Greever 8 Bobby Gusler 11

Jamie Gusler 10 Paula Gusler 9 Heidi Guthrie 9 Steven Hairston 10 Kristi Hale 10 Melissa Hale 8 Marti Hamblin 9

Group Therapy.

Career ed. students listen to Dr. Ron Heiser from St. Albans Hospital. Dr. Heiser discussed topics such as selfimprovement and attaining goals.

### The Start of a

## GREAT CAREER

areer Education classes have been offered to eighth graders to give them a chance to experience a variety of classes. The class was at first optional, but after the first year, the class was deemed so helpful that it became a requirement in 1990. Each six weeks students experienced a different area of study. The six categories were art, music, life management, agriculture and technology, business, and foreign language.

When asked which one was his favorite class, eighth grader David Greever said, "I like business the best because we get to play on computers." Business was taught by Mr. Jerry Huffman. In one six weeks students experienced typing, check writing, decision making, computers, and calculators.

Eighth grader Robby Simmons said, "I like music because it's a fun class." Music was taught by Mr. Larry Marion. Students learned about the history of music and also experienced different instruments.

Another one of the favorites was foreign language. Foreign language was taught by Mrs. Jetty O'Quinn. Students learned the importance of foreign languages through cultural games, activities, songs, and ethnic foods. They also learned about different jobs that required a knowledge of foreign languages.

Although the favorites differed from person to person, each class was unique.

- Stephen Mertz

A Balance Between Education and Amusement.

Mrs. Francis' first period career ed. life management class learns the practice of good posture.



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Leigh Hare 8 Marvin Harless 9 Joni Harman 8 Andy Harrell 11 Hope Harrell 11 Suzanne Harrison 10 Beth Harey 10

Lisa Havens 11 Troy Hazelwood 8 Daniel Hederick 10 Charles Henderson 10 Sherry Hetherington 11 Jason Higginbotham 11 Billy Higgs 11

> Cathy Hill 10 Rod Hilton 8 Melissa Hinchee 11 Susan Hodge 11 Michael Hogue 11 Melissa Holdren 9 April Hopkins 10





David Howard 10 Eric Humphrey 8 Chris Huskey 8 Chris Hutson 9 James Hyden 8 Brady Hypes 9 Peter Janney 9

Valerie Janney 8 Jeff Jeffers 11 Jennifer Jeffers 9 Rikki Jennell 8 Kari Jennelle 8 Rickie Jennings 9 Sheri Jennings 9

Jason Johnson 11 Kimberly Johnson 11 Marlene Johnson 8 Stephen Johnson 10 Tammy Johnson 11 Derrick Johnston 9 Paul Johnston 9

Chad Journell 10 Jeannie Journell 11 Travis Journell 9 Melissa Jude 10 Leslie Kast 9 Memphus Kast 11 Vernon Kast 8

James Keffer 9 Joe Keffer 11 Travis Keffer 8 Deidra Kessinger 11 Sean King 10 Beth Kirk 11 Brad Kirk 10

Christie Kirk 10 Shawn Kirk 8 Stephanie Kirk 10 Susan Kirk 10 Mindy Lafon 9 Jennie Lambert 9 Lucy Lambert 10

Robert Lambert 11 Chi Landry 9 Glenn Landry 10 Eddie Lang 10 Jeremy Lang 9 Lisa Law 11 Jessica Lee 8

Nathan Lee 10 Tommy Lester 9 Frances Lilly 9 Timmy Lilly 11 Brad Lisman 8 Scott Lisman 10 Holly Litchford 9

Stacey Litchford 11 Stacy Lovell 9 Shannon Lowry 10 Chris Lucas 9 Delta Lucas 8 Jason Lucas 10 Melissa Lucas 8 Ora Lea Lucas 10 Shannon Lucas 11 Wes Lucas 8 Chris Lugar 11 Laura Lynch 8 Michelle Mahaffey 10 Brian Mann 8

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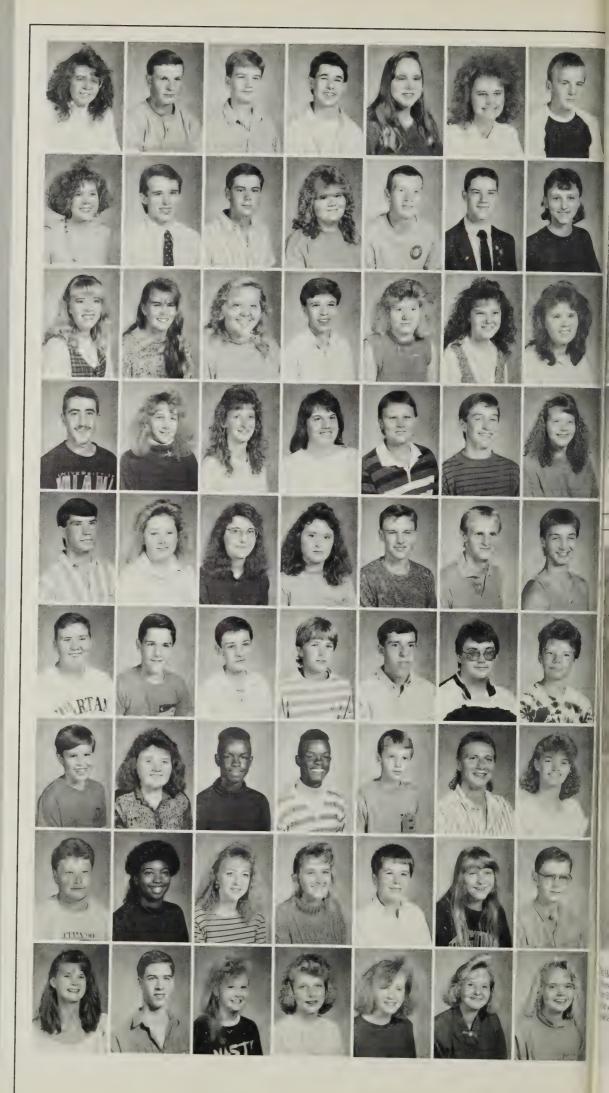
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Amy Neice 8 Brian Neice 9 Christine Neice 9 Gail Neice 11 Jamie Neice 8 Jason Nepstead 8 Kenneth Nester 11

Travis Nester 11 Rusty Newby 10 Heidi Noble 11 Eddie O'Dell 8 Brian O'Quinn 9 Carl Openshaw 8 Kenny Osbourne 9

Brent Pack 10 Mandy Palmer 8 Neil Parcell 10 Larry Payne 11 Neal Perdue 11 Trish Perkins 9 Lisa Peters 8

David Pfister 9 Tammy Pittman 11 J.D. Price 11 Robert Price 8 Melissa Pritchard 10 Kelly Psathos 10 Crystal Ramos 9



The Healthiest Meal of the Day. Seniors Steve Songer, Wanda Dalton, Trish Dalton, and Angela Spangler show up for school a little earlier to enjoy a hot

breakfast.

# THE **BREAKFAST CLUB**

🕇 tudents wake-up late, scramble to get their clothes on and rush out the door to catch the bus with no time to spare for breakfast.

"School is tough enough, but it's almost impossible to think without brain food", said senior Chris Shaver. Many students find the cafeteria provides a great morning meal with anything from sweet waffles and syrup to old fashioned scrambled eggs with a smoked

sausage biscuit. The cost of this healthy meal is fifty-five cents.

The 1990-91 school marked the return of breakfast to Giles High School. For the first time since 1972 students had the option to eat breakfast at school.

Junior Sean Sexton says "I like the idea, so I won't starve to death until lunch." Junior Kevin Scott says, "the food is plain alright."

– Stephen Mertz

Underclassmen

Brent Rampey 11 James Ratcliff 10 Sherry Ratcliff 9 Benji Ratcliffe 10 Danny Ratcliffe 10 Jason Ratcliffe 9 John Ratcliffe 8

> Kim Ratcliffe 9 Ryan Ratcliffe 8 Eric Ratliffe 11 Tommy Redd 8 Troy Reece 11 Hope Reed 8 Mitch Reed 9

Shannon Reed 9 Dewey Reynolds 9 Jennifer Rice 8 Harold Riggs 9 J.C. Riggs 9 Charles Robertson 11 Chrystel Robertson 9



# PRIME TIME LEARNING

ow many times have your teachers told you that you can't watch T.V., talk on the phone, and do your homework at the same time? Now technology has proven them wrong. For the new Latin I electronic classroom, a T.V. and telephone are essential to the class.

The 1990-91 school year is the first time Latin I has been offered at Giles High. This year's class of eight students is basically an experimental class.

"I like it because I feel like I am helping to decide whether or not this new age of teaching will work at our school," commented junior Michelle Silver, a student in the Latin I class.

Around 200 students across Virginia tune in every day at 9:30.

The teacher greets her class and faxes their worksheets to them. The students are then given time to call in and ask questions.

"It's like you have people from all over Virginia in your class because your questions are broadcasted on the air," said junior Emily Williams.

Students are then given time to work on their assignment. If they need help, they just call the teacher.

- Suzanne Eaton

Talking About Hi-Tech. Senior Eddie Williams adjusts the volume on the new televisions installed in each homeroom. Classes such as Mr. McGraw's second period government kept up with current events through a student news program called *Channel 1*.

Long Distance Relationship.

Second period Latin students such as juniors Danya Lassinger, Suzanne Eaton, and Susan Stafford, take notes from a classroom over 150 miles away. The class was broadcasted at 9:00 a.m. each morning on PBS channel 8.

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T mika Saunders 8 J&nnifer Scott 9 Kevin Scott 11 Orion Scott 8 Sean Sexton 11 Eric Shannon 8 Michael Shannon 10

Angel Shepherd 11 Tonia Short 8 David Shrader 8 Shane Shrader 9 Adam Sifford 9 Michelle Silver 11 Robbie Simmons 8

Erin Simpkins 11 Steve Simpkins 8 Terry Simpkins 8 Michael Slusser 11 Carla Smith 11 Heather Smith 10 Jeannie Smith 11

John Smith 9 Marty Smith 9 Melinda Smith 10 Melissa Smith 10 Michael Smith 9 Timmy Smith 11 Tonja Smith 10

Brock Snider 8 Jeremy Snider 11 Stephanie Snider 10 Treena Snider 11 Debbie Snidow 9 Karen Snidow 8 Candi Solowiej 9

Brian Songer 11 Ricky Sparks 9 Dawn Spicer 10 David St. Clair 8 Joe St. Clair 11 Stacey St. Clair 9 Rusty Stafford 11 Angela Tate Angela Heather Tate Natina Tate 10
Clarence Tawney 9
Jennifer Tawney 11
Emily Taylor 9
Sue Terry 10

Fred Thompson 10 Jason Thorne 8 Tina Thorne 8 Cathy Thomhill 11 Melissa Thornhill 11 Timmy Tickle 10 Tonya Tickle 10

Alma Vandergrift 9 Perry Vandergrift 10 Serena Vass 11 Dreama Vaught 8 Tanya Vaught 9 Chris Vest 11 Leslie Vest 10

Samantha Vest 11 Mark Vinson 8 Katie Walker 8 Kelly Warner 8 Warner Wilson 8 Jackie Watts 9 Heather Weatherly 8

Brooke Weiss 10 Joey Welton 9 Sherry Westbrook 11 Powell Wheeler 9 Christie Whittaker 10 Eugene Whittaker 10 John Whittaker 10

Mike Whittaker 9 Stephen Whittaker 8 Steven Whittaker 11 Tammy Whittaker 11 Heather Wilburn 8 Justin Wildman 9 Matt Wiley 9





Ben Williams 9 Chad Williams 9 Charles Williams 9 David Williams 11 Emily Williams 11 Jamie Williams 11 Kelly Williams 8

Lindsey Williams 8 Lorie Williams 8 Melvin Williams 10 Shelley Williams 8 Tess Williams 10 Timmy Williams 10 Timmy Williams 8

Amy Wilson 8 Angela Wilson 11 Hank Wilson 9 Jeff Wilson 10 Mike Wilson 8 Chris Wiscarson 10 Jamie Witt 11

Matt Witt 11 Ben Woods 10 Donnie Ray Woodyard 8 Jackie Woodyard 10 Travis Worley 10 Amy Wright 11 Trisha Younce 10

David Young 8 Marshall Young 8



In Memory Of

**TINA CARTER** 

1974-1990

"The supreme happiness of life is the conviction that we are loved . . ."

- Victor Hugo

Going around in circles. Mr. Jerry Albert teaches basic technical drawing in the same classroom he learned it in.

"I remember when . . . " Mrs. Babette Martin and Mrs. Janice Gautier look at the prom dresses that the FHA Club are selling.





Mr. Jerry Albert Assistant Principal, Basic Technical Drawing, Co-Sponsor AlSIA, Lunch Program, Textbooks, Coordinator Recidivism Program.

Mrs. Jeannie Allen Guidance, Counselor 8th-10th, Lockers, Recidivism Program.

Mrs. Susan Allen Guidance Clerk.

Mrs. Patricia Bayless
Geometry, Consumer Math, Homeroom,
Attendance (10th), Attendance Caller (10th),
Basketball Cheerleaders.

Mr. Roy Blevins
Vocational Welding

Mrs. Boni Boggess Secretary

Mr. Ed Brewster Vocational Drafting. Mrs. Barbara Buckland Vocational Cosmetology.

Mrs. Patsy Carbaugh
Vocational Secretary

Mr. Gary Clark
Athletic Director, Assistant Principal.

Mrs. Alicia Coulter Algebra I & II, Sponsor SAE, Gifted Coordinator.

Mr. Jerry Covey Career Ed., Agriculture I & II, Homeroom, Chairman Vocational Department, Assistant with Prom, Sponsor FFA.

Mrs. Sheila Craine
English 10, Co-Chairman — juniors, Prom, MACC,
Pep Club, SAT Project.

Mrs. Nancy Dowdy Vocational Nursing.

Ms. Nancy Eaton Art I, Career Ed., Assistant with Drama, Co-Sponsor Art Club.

Mr. Vic Edwards Information/Word Processing, Business Computer Applications, Accounting, Homeroom, Co-Sponsor — FBLA, Pep Club, Assistant with Prom, Self-Study.

Mr. Everett Ellis Vocational Auto Body.

Mrs. Nancy Farmer
Media Center, Electronics Classroom, Channel

Mr. Steve Fitch

Mrs. Eugena Floyd Health/P.E., Homeroom 12A, Senior Class Sponsor, Co-Sponsor Pep Club, Lunch Duty.



#### School is much more fun

#### THE SECOND TIME AROUND

en teachers and one administrator have returned to teach at the high school they attended as students, and several of them are now colleagues of their former high school teachers.

There are many advantages and disadvantages of returning to teach at your own high school. "One advantage is that you are more familiar with the school system and the different types of students you deal with," said Mrs. Janice Gautier. "The main disadvantage is that you aren't aware of how other systems operate. Therefore, your views become very limited."

Mrs. Anne Wheeler never dreamed that she would teach at her alma mater. "Coming

back home was the best career decision I've ever made. Giles County students are unlike students in city schools, where violence and discipline problems tend to dominate today's educational system. Our students prove that teaching is still a rewarding field."

Some teachers mentioned interesting things about teaching at the same school they attended, such as watching how things change, yet stay the same. "Sometimes I walk down the hall and forget I am a teacher," said Mrs. Babette Martin. "It's hard to realize that I'm not a student anymore."

Mr. W.R. Johnston stated, "When I was in school, boys were sent home for not wearing socks. Today our dress code is

different, but we still have one to a degree. The main thing that bothers me the most is when I hear students say, "He's still there, and he taught my Mom and Dad!"

When asked if he enjoys teaching at the high school he attended, assistant principal Jerry Albert replied, "I've been here since the doors opened in 1961, except when I was away at college. I have to like it or else I wouldn't be here."

Other faculty members that came back to teach at their alma mater were Mrs. Marv Beth Holton, Mrs. Carole Johnston, Mr. Ricky Lee, Ms. Leslie Lucas, Mrs. Liz Shaver and Mr. Brian Strader.

Today's hit music. Mr. W.R. Johnston dee-jays a dance to raise money for a history club trip





Mr. Forest Fowler

Mrs. Jewell Francis er Ed., Co-Sponsor FHA

Mr. Bruce Frazier Human Relations, World History, U.S. History, Assistant Monogram Club, Head 8th Grade Football & Varsity Baseball Coach.

Mrs. Janice Gautier Food/Cloth Mgt., Home Economics, Co-op, Life Mgt. II, Child Dev/Mar. Family.

Mrs. Bev Harvey

Mr. Roy Holt

Mrs. Mary Beth Holton Special Education/EMH, Homeroom, MACC, Assistant with Drama, Co-Sponsor National Honor Society.

Mr. Jerry Huffman Career Ed., Business, Keyboarding, Homeroom, Assistant JV Football Coach, Co-Sponsor FBLA, Head Boys' Track Coach.

Mr. Scott Humphries

Mr. Jim Jackson World Geography, Government, Homeroom, Sponsor Key Club, SAT Project.

Mrs. Carole Johnston Guidance Director, Chairman Graduation, Counselor (11th, 12th).

Mr. W.R. Johnston 20th Century History, NRCC History, Government, U.S. History, Assistant with Prom, Sponsor History Club, National History Day, Model United Nations.

Mr. Alvin Jones Vocational Machine Shop

Mr. Walter Jones

Mr. Russell Kelley Health/P.E., Weightlifting, Assistant Varsity Football Coach, Boys' Varsity Basketball, Head Girls' Track Coach, Assistant Monogram Club.

# THREE PARTS TO THE WHOLE

t never fails. When you really need one, he's never there; but if you're doing something wrong, he's always there to catch you. A policeman? No. A principal. But policing the halls is one of his many duties.

The reason it is hard to find a principal when you need one, is because they're always "on the run" to get their jobs done. Mr. Steve Fitch, head principal, explained, "My job has no beginning and no end. I complete one task to the best of my ability to then go on to the next." His tasks included usual day to day discipline conferences, attending and supporting athletic and MACC events, and meeting with important officials.

Mr. Fitch added, "For everyone that walks through my door, their problem is the most important to them, and I treat that problem as the most important to me." Mr. Fitch's top priority was ". . . running an effective and efficient positive school climate that produces productive young men and women.

One of Mr. Fitch's favorite things about his job is the graduation ceremonies. He describes it as, ". . . the single most emotional time of the year, when parents, grand-parents, brothers, sisters, aunts, and uncles, come to see that graduating senior, who is swelling with pride, who is at the benchmark of his life, and whose opportunities are endless." He considers that moment, ". . . one of the major benefits of my job as an educator.'

Assistant principal and activities di-

rector, Mr. Gary Clark, described his job as, ". . . a little bit of everything." Mr. Clark oversaw sports functions, public relations, and the school calendar. He said, "I like the kids the most. I don't think one could be an educator without liking kids." He added, "I've seen a lot of school systems, student bodies, and faculties, and after working in the Giles County school system for more than twenty-some years, I have to say it's the best school system I've been associated with."

Mr. Jerry Albert described his job, assistant principal/teacher as, ". . . an unusual advantage that I have the pleasure of being a part of." As an assistant principal, Mr. Albert was in charge of the textbooks, the lunch program, attendance, and discipline. As a teach-

er he taught three classes of basic technical drawing in the afternoons. He commented, "It's like having the best of both worlds. I enjoy being in an administrative position, but at the same time I enjoy being a teacher. I like working day to day with the students. It's my first love to have a more personal contact with the classroom. It helps me identify more with the teachers since I am one."

Each principal had his own personality and his own way of accomplishing things. But all three contributed to their common objective of an efficient high school. However, all three agreed to disliking the ever-increasing amount of paper work, and all longed for more time to be able to accomplish more.

— Kevin McDaniel

Ms. Linda Knott Special Education/EMH, Emp. Ed., Homeroom, Assistant with Prom, Sponsor Keyettes

Health/P.E., Advanced P.E., Co-Sponsor Hi-Y, Head J.V. Girls' Basketball Coach, Assistant Boy's Track, Assistant Monogram Club.

Mr. Bob Lilly
Computer Math I & II. Math 8, Computer
Coordinator, Assistant with Drama,
Co-Newspaper Sponsor, Fleld Trips Monitor.

Ms. Leslie Lucas English 9, Creative Writing, Co-Sponsor FC Sponsor Football Cheerleade

Ms. Doris Lynch Algebra II, General Math 9, Homeroom, Chairman Math Department, MACC, Self-Study, Prom

Consultant.

Ms. Judy Mann

Health/P.E., Homeroom 12B, Senior Sponsor,
Sponsor SADD, Intramurals, Chairman
Health/P.E., Self-Study.

Mr. Larry Marion Guitar, Career Ed., Symphonic Chorale, Choir, 8th Grade Choir, Director Symphonic Chorale, Assistant with Auditorium.

Mrs. Babette Martin Algebra I, Math Analysis, Co-Chairman — juniors, Prom, Football Cheerleaders, SAT Project.

Ms. Cecilia McFaden English 11, 12, Yearbook Sponsor, Lunch Duty.

Mr. Alan McGraw Government, Psychology, Human Relations Head 8th Grade Basketball Coach, Sponsor Hi-Y

Mrs. Laura McGraw

English 11, Speech/Drama, MACC, Sponsor Drama Club, Self-Study Chairperson. Ms. Beth Morgan

Keyboarding, Office Systems, Newspaper, Co-Sponsor FCA, Basketball Cheerleaders, News Release

Mr. James O'Hara Architectual/Engineering Drawing, Construction, Woods Technology, Intro-Tech., Homeroom, Sponsor AISIA, Assistant with Prom.

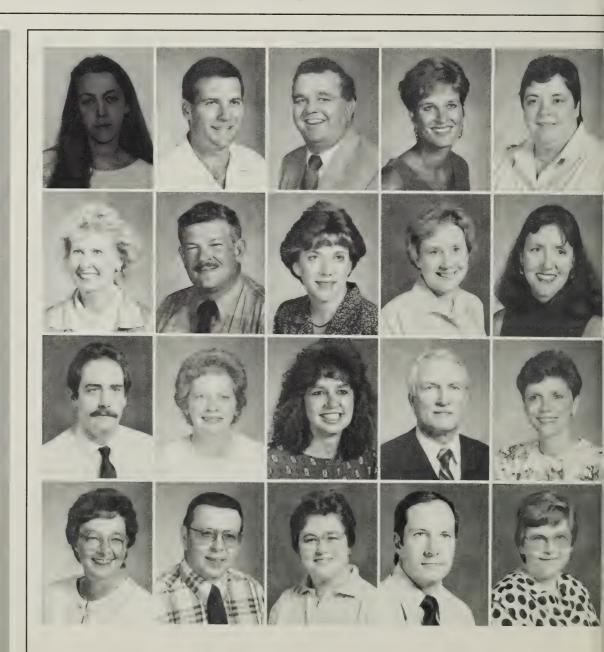
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Never Too Busy to Care Mr. Clark takes a little time out of his busy schedule to look at a painting sophomore Charlie Fletcher worked on in his Art I class.



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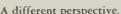
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A different perspective.

Mrs. McGraw takes a moment out of her busy day to look out upon the rolling meadows beside the school.

The gift of love. Mrs. McGraw graciously leaves the stage after accepting her dedication gift at the senior awards assembly.









Sign of success. Mrs. McGraw admires the sign, painted by the Art Department, that advertises *The Wizard of Oz.* The sign was first hung in the main hall, but after the play it was hung behind her desk in her classroom.

Meeting of the minds. Stage Manager Kevin McDaniel and Mrs. McGraw discuss how to construct the long overdue covered bridge for an important scene in the Wizard of oz.





# MORE THAN WORDS

eaching is a career that requires patience and determination. Few professions demand more self-sacrifice, hard work, and perseverance. Mrs. Laura McGraw is one of those teachers who has exceeded the mark in her field.

During her fifteen years at GHS, Mrs. McGraw has acted as drama sponsor, MACC coach, department head, self-study chairman, and much more. She is respected by students for her fair-

ness, her compassion, and her guidance. She is respected by her colleagues for her sophisticated wit and undeniable charm.

We will always cherish Mrs. McGraw as a determined lady who spent countless hours with her students, not only as a teacher, but as a friend.

For all these reasons, and many more, we fondly dedicate the 1991 Shield to Mrs. Laura McGraw.

- Kevin McDaniel and Travis Hale



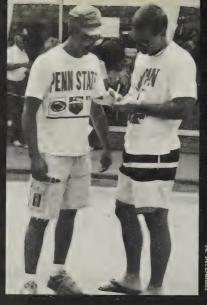


Noteworthy recipient. Mrs. McGraw signs and returns a student's admit slip before her first period English class.

# Will you give me, your autograph?

hile at Festival Around Town, Coach Ricky Lee buys a raffle ticket from fireman Chris Kellison. The Giles County Volunteer Fire Department set up a booth at the festival and raffled off boots and a fire extinguisher. The profits were used to buy safety equipment for the firefighters.

early six months of renovation went into building the new Pilot Gas Station. The new store offered not only gas, but was a minimart and rented videos









y eyes are bigger than my stomach. ichael Smith of Virginia Beach

said not only was he talked into coming to the Festival Around Town when he was visiting his friends in Christiansburg, but while he was there he was also talked into participating in the pie eating contest held by the Giles Boosters.

Sharing the work.

nap Dragon assists eighth grader Eric

Shannon in handing out coloring books at the "children's festival". The books, distributed by APCO, taught home safety to children.







# NEVER OUT BUSINESS

ong before Ellis Island began welcoming European immigrants, the New River Valley had been settled for decades. Previously used by the Indians as a passage through the Appalachian Mountains, the Giles County section of the valley was settled by Hales and Snidows as early as the late 1600's. When Manhattan Island was still mostly wilderness, there were trading posts and forts lining the New River. The history of commerce in Giles County is an extensive one indeed.

The decade of the 1990's began in a storm of economic turmoil. The recession was still plaguing the local economy inspite of the recovery predicted to follow the end of the Gulf War. Several businesses folded or relocated. Major industries closed or drastically cut back employment forces. Even so, the sons and daughters of the pioneers who cleared, tamed, and farmed the mountain meadows of Giles County persevered.

For every set back there was some progress forward. When AT&T closed its doors, many workers began a program of re-education to secure a new job. Celanese outlived old rumors of closing to move into an era of regeneration. By spring new rumors spoke of more jobs becoming available.

The regrettable closing of retail stores such as Leggett and B&B often caused residents to travel quite a distance to shop in modern air-conditioned malls in surrounding counties. On the other hand, few students complained about the spare time they chose to spend in those malls.

In early spring, the Mountain View Industrial Park met federal specifications to qualify for funding. The completion of the park signaled the beginning of a whole new chapter in the economic history of the county.

Throughout the year, local governments courted new industrial development in an effort to bring new jobs and commerce into the county. In the arena of the highly competitive world market, where expansion could no longer be taken for granted, Giles County continued to fight furiously for its share of prosperity.

Inspite of the prevailing struggle, the merchants and industrialists of the surrounding area did not waver in their support of school activities. They continued to buy ads, make contributions, and reward performance. They stood solidly behind the students, as always before; and in the spirit of perseverance and hope, they were NEVER OUT OF BUSINESS.

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Ms. Beth Morgan, who "loves to cruise" does so, along with juniors Summer Dowdy, Sherry Colley, Treena Snider, and other Varsity Cheerleaders in the Homecoming Parade.

B. Morgan





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# **PROPER IDENTIFICATION**

f UBCN1R2 strange phrases around, it's due to some creative people driving for a little attention.

Many teens have found a good way to separate their cars from all the rest — personalized license plates. Car tags saying things like "GHS-91" and "WANA BMW" can be found throughout the student parking lot. "Personalized tags are a way to express yourself," says Angela Wilson, whose plates reveal a nickname, "BUNNY", given

to her by her mom.

These tags aren't just for teenagers. Business teacher, Ms. Beth Morgan defines her favorite past time, cruising, with "LUVTCRZ". Her friends know it can also stand for "Love Tom Cruise". Ms. Morgan says she got them because they're easier to remember . . . Whatever the reason, some people just won't settle for the same old three letter/ three digit plates; they say it their way.

- Jeannie Smith





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onight's winning number is"... and the boosters wrap up another football raffle; but selling raffle tickets is only one of the things the boosters do to raise money for the Spartan athletes. Among other things they sell badges, sponsor a softball tournament, and run the concession stand at the Pearisburg Town Park.

The boosters make a major contribution to Spartan athletics. They get together with the coaches to find out what the teams need and do

their best to provide it. The boosters buy meals for the teams after away games and prepare snacks for them after practices. "We do all we can to pep up the team before a game," says booster Mrs. Mae Wilson.

"It always helps to know that someone is there to cheer you on," says junior Chris Vest, a track member.

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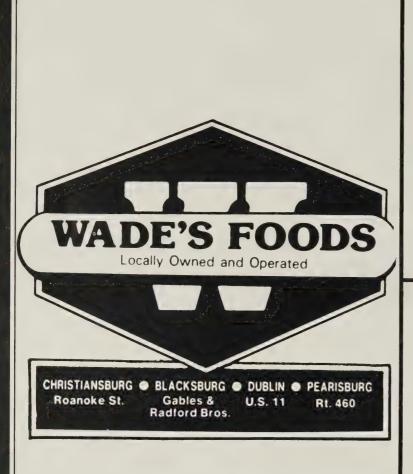


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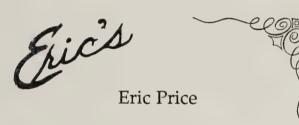
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Not Exactly Recreational.
Juniors Mike Slusser and sophomore Michael Shannon dig up weeds around the Pearisburg Town Pool. The Rec Dept. employed around eight high school students who worked there throughout the summer.





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# Let's Go Out to the Ballgame

hortly after the sun slides behind Angels' Rest, the lights of King Johnston field glow on the horizon, beckoning local residents to come and join in the fun of the nightly summer softball games. This scenario is made possible by the Pearisburg Recreation Department.

The Department offers the community different activities with the arrival of each season. The Department sponsors little league boys' and girls' basketball, mens', womens', and mixed league volleyball, along with other sports. They have an aerobics program, walking classes, and craft classes.

The PRDSEE (Pearisburg Recreation Department Students for Educational Experiences) is a club the Department sponsors for young adults in the county. In addition to regular meetings, they attend lectures,

take trips, and try to avail themselves of a wide range of educational opportunities and experiences.

Some students are directly involved with the department because they are employed in full or part time capacities.

Many help maintain the softball field, while others work at the pool. Tonya Anderson, a sophomore, works at the pool concession stand. She describes her job as "... a fun way to earn money and keep in touch with people during the summer."

The goal of the Department might be best summarized by W.R. Johnston, director: "Our basic philosophy is to conduct a range of activities that will provide all citizens with opportunities that touch their interests."

— Dana Move



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# A SOUND **IMPROVEMENT**

emember rainy Monday morning assemblies, when a student would lean back into a cozy nap, because he couldn't hear what was going on? This problem was resolved by significant improvements in the auditorium.

High tech sound panels were installed in the back of the auditorium to minimize echoing, and new cloth drapes replaced old vinyl ones. These improvements

were made to help absorb excess noise and feedback. Eventually the aisles will be carpeted to absorb sound.

When all the improvements are completed, the audience should be able to enjoy the productions without noise distortions. According to Mrs. McGraw, drama club sponsor, "When it's completed, the acoustics will be dramatically improved."

- Tim Elliot

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Curtain Call. Junior Stephen Mertz inspects the new fabric curtains. There use is for more than only looks. The fabric better absorbs sound than the previous vinyl curtains allowing better sound quality in the auditorium

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# LIFE IN THE FAST LANE

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The races begin every Saturday night at 7:00 pm. People of all ages pack into their cars and head across "the mountain." Senior Eddie Adams stated, "I go to the most popular place in Pulaski County to watch cars squeak their tires as they go around donut shaped raceway. It's a lot of fun to watch."

Junior Tammy Johnson summed it all up by saying, "My boyfriend and I went to the races almost every weekend. We loved it!"

- Amy Wright



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# Teenagers just want to have fun and

# **HANG-OUT**

traffic jam in Giles County! It's hard to believe, but every Friday and Saturday night the streets are jammed with teenagers going different places. Where are they going? Some are on their way to Blacksburg to catch a movie, some are going to a friend's house to party, and the others have decided to cruise around Hardee's.

According to Senior Paula Stone, "hanging-out" means ". . . going out with my friends and have a great time."

Most students have found that cruisin around town is the best way to hang-out, while others go to the mall, movies, or just stay home.

Senior Jennie Adams says, "In Giles County, hanging-out is the only thing to do." For the few students who do find the right place and the right people to hangout with, it can be a cool way to be with your friends.

Some athletes hang-out together on and off the field. "We hang-out together before a game to get pumped!", stated seniors Geof Allen and Jared Wilburn.

Whatever the reason, teenagers love to be with their friends and just HANG-OUT.

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# GREAT ASSOCIATIONS

Throughout the year, the Pearisburg Merchants Association donated discounts and incentives at local stores for students who make the honor roll during the six weeks. An honor roll student would present their report card and receive anywhere from a 10% discount on food and clothing to free pens and school supplies. Junior Melissa Hinchee said, "It's nice to know the community cares enough to help the students who work hard and care about school!"

The Pearisburg Merchants Association is also involved in many other community projects, such as local bingo games an Festival Around Town, and annual event in which attracts many people from in and outside the county. Many students participate in the festivities by going to a dance held at the town tennis courts that night. Sophomore Kristi Hale says, "They seem to really care about giving students new opportunities and activities!"

— Emily Williams

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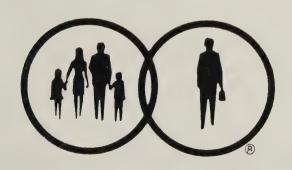


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Many students spend weekends and vacations "four wheeling" in the mountains. Two of the most popular places are the mud flats and the gap near Butte Mountain. Junior Emily Williams says, "Riding ATV's is great until people start abusing the environment. The it's ruined for everyone!"

This isn't just a teenage fad. At least one teacher was caught in the act. English teacher, Ms. Leslie Lucas confessed, "I love it! It's good, clean, dirty fun."

— Jeannie Smith



Building Memories for Tomorrow. The Giles County Historical Society Andrew Johnson Museum stands awaiting another day of visitors and admirers.

S. Mertz

# THE MODERN ART OF RECORDED HISTORY

Picture Pearisburg in 1806, a quiet frontier town with a court-house, a general store, and a cannery. It's hard to imagine that today's downtown, with it's shopping plaza, stores and restaurants, was ever a pioneer crossroads, with unpaved streets and wooden sidewalks. The Giles County Historical Society has assumed the responsibility of preserving such memories.

Beginning in March of 1978, the historical society became a research branch of the New River Valley Historical Society. That small organization has evolved into what is today a significant asset to Giles County. The historical society supports a library of historical research

materials (including their own published works), special events of historical importance to the area, and a \$100,000 endowment for the upkeep of the Andrew Johnson House, the oldest standing brick structure in Giles County.

Mrs. Ruth Blevins, part of a genealogical research team that constructs local family histories, boasted, "I'm proud of Giles County history and feel it should be preserved."

Some people live for today, and never worry about what has happened. Some people look toward tomorrow to see brighter days ahead. But whether in the past, the present, or the future, history plays a part.



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# A new craze is sweeping the earth Environmental Awareness

n the months following Earth Day 1990, school organizations are answering the call to save the earth. Many people donate items, time, and energy as part of a large effort to preserve Mother Earth.

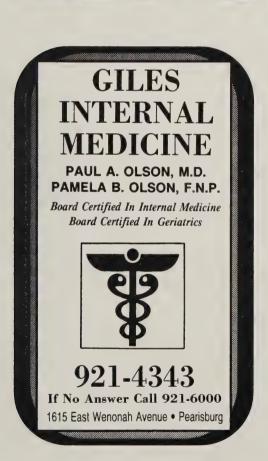
The Symphonic Chorale is recycling cans for the second year. Chorale members collect cans in abundance after football games. Although the task can be time consuming and dirty, it's well worth it when you consider the good it does for the environment. Director Mr. Larry Marion says, "I think everyone ought to RECYCLE—

Just do it!"

Because trees take in carbon dioxide and release clean oxygen, planting more trees help cut down on air pollution. The Tri-Hi-Y is purchasing trees from local nurseries and planting them around the school. Lory Stafford, president, says, "It's a lot of fun because we are getting down and dirty for a good cause."

Rather than sitting back and allowing nature to take an unfortunate course, the Spartans are on their feet, pitching in to save Mother Earth.

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# **Showing Off**

hile browsing through the exhibit, students saw oil and water color paintings, pastels, sculpture, and much more. Was this an exhibit in a museum, or an art gallery? No. It was an art show in the school library which was transformed into a showcase for the school's finest artists.

Each spring, the library has hosted the art show. Students and teachers could come in during their lunch or before or after school to view the works. The shows have featured the best of each students work from their art I-V class. The exhibits have included award winning paintings, drawings, and sculpture, in both modern and traditional themes.

Junior Michael Hogue commented, "It is nice to have a place to show off something that you have worked long and hard on, and that you are proud of." As this was the opinion of most of the artists, most spectators agreed with junior Emily Williams who said, "It's just great to look at fine art."

- Kevin McDaniel

Look, but don't touch!
Junior Julie Molique spends the second half of her lunch
period looking at all of the art works displayed in the
library exhibit.



# A.M. ATHLETES

ith only seconds left in the game, senior Rick Farrel jumped, spiked, and scored, giving his team the 15-13 win over their opponents. But this was not a varsity sport as one might think, it was intramural volleyball.

Throughout the year, three intramural sports were offered to students. In the fall, tag football was offered and played on the front lawn. In the winter, basketball was offered, and in the spring, volleyball was offered.

To participate, students formed a team with their friends, and signed up their team name on the bulletin board in the main hall. The teams were pitted against one another in tournament style action, and each season ended with play-offs between the two best teams. The games were played from 8:20 until 8:35 in the mornings. Senior Billy McCroskey commented, "It gives you something to do while you're waiting for classes to begin," Senior Rick Farrel explained, "It definitely wakes you up!"

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# FLOWING IN A DIFFERENT DIRECTION

nnertubes, suntan lotion, a few friends, and a cooler of icy drinks create a fun in the sun river party.

The New River is as unique as the people around it. It's the second oldest river in the world and it flows north, a distinction shared only with the Nile in Egypt. The New River is fun year round but especially in the summer.

During those long, hot days a steady flow of people wind down into the river canyon where they can cool off and have fun. Dave Vincenzi, owner of the New River Canoe Livery, says that people frequently ask about the river's activities. "I tell them that they can canoe, snorkel, tube, go caving, and rappel, all right here around the river." His biggest group of adventure-seeking people are those from out of town who have heard about the river's beauty from others.

Summer vacation sites may flourish on the east coast, and families may travel to Disney World, Myrtle Beach, or Nags Head, but many choose to come to the cool, peaceful banks of the New River. Almost every summer Junior Michelle Silver and her family camp on the river to get away from it all (even though they bring a t.v., v.c.r., and a microwave in the camper).

- Emily William

A perfect landscape.

A fisherman takes advantage of the bounties of New River while enjoying the peace and serenity of the river's landscape.



B.Y.O. Bottle

of Water

ARNING! THIS WATER HAS BEEN CONDEMNED BY THE FEDERAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT!

When students came to school Monday, June 3, they saw signs saying this posted at every fountain and sink in the school.

Over the weekend, a main sewer line collapsed, and apparently contaminated the Pearisburg water supply. Citizens had to either buy bottled water or boil their water for ten minutes for it to be safe.

The lack of water was a catastrophe, considering that the day was the hottest day of the year so far, with a record breaking temperature of 98 degrees and a 105 degree heat index.

In the place of fountains, coolers were placed on tables in the hallways, and students were given cups in their first period classes. The soft drink machines were left open throughout all three days of the crisis.

However, the lack of water fountains was the least of the inconveniences. The cafeteria had to use disposable styrofoam trays, and had to wash the flatware in clorox mixed with water. They also had to boil all of their cooking water.

By Thursday, students entered the school and saw that the signs and coolers were gone. Fortunately, the water had never been contaminated. It had been condemned as a precaution while it underwent extensive health tests.

- Kevin McDaniel

Keepin' cool.

On the hottest day of the year, senior Larry Meredith takes advantage of the coolers placed in the hallways to replace the water fountains.

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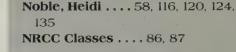
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## In Living Color

ear after year, there has been a school yearbook, a magazine of the year's events, preserving all of those great high school memories with photos, captions, and copy. But with the advent of modern technology, there was another 1991 yearbook offered to students. It was a video yearbook produced by the history club.

The first video, produced in the 1989-90 school year, was a huge success. The videos sold out at \$22.95 each. Since all the needed equipment had been bought and paid for from the previous year's profits, the video for the 1990-91 school year was sold for only \$8.95. Each video contained six hours of the year's events, from the first day of school through graduation, much like the printed yearbook. "What we offer is a live record of school events. And the fact that we're considered a small school, and only the 'big schools' have a video yearbook, well, that's all the better," commented history club sponsor W.R. Johnston.

And do I as the editor of the Shield feel threatened by this change? No. Because, hey, you can't autograph a videotape . . .!

- Kevin McDaniel

Moviemaker.

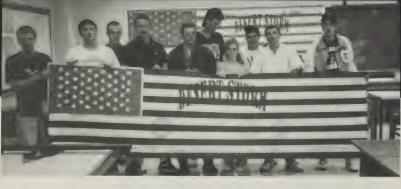
Mr. W.R. Johnston films first day of school events to include on the history club video. Many history club members also participated as cameramen, dictators, and





We're behind you all the way, Vocational Drafting students designed two flags which were signed by the entire vocational school and sent to the troops.

Old Glory, A 50ft. long American Flag hangs in the John F. Kennedy Museum and Library in Boston, Massachusetts in honor of the troops.







Sign of the times.
Juniors J.J. Johnson and Carrie Dean look at the "Don't Forget Our Guys" bulletin board that is in the library. The board displayed pictures, year of graduation, and addresses of the soldiers from Giles High School who were part of the Persian Gulf War.



Good things come in big packages. Mrs. Babette Martin and Ms. Beth Morgan prepare care packages for shipment to the soldiers in the Gulf. Items such as magazines, books, food and snacks, and stationary were all donated by students and teach-

Sign on the dotted line. Senior Todd Abel signs a banner that was sent to the troops that had graduated from Giles High School. The banners were made by the cheerleaders, and after everyone had finished signing them there was no white space left on any of the ban-



K. McDaniel



## We'll NEVER BE THE SAME

t began in August. A man here and there got orders to go. For many weeks no one knew what to think. Was it a serious military build-up or just a show of power?

Mothers and girlfriends began to wear yellow ribbons. GHS graduates from the eighties, and even the class of 1990, were added to the list of Giles county natives serving in Saudi Arabia.

As the situation grew critical, drivers stopped by the light would glance at the war memorial and wonder.

Mrs. Farmer and Mrs. Dunford posted addresses and pictures on the library bulletin board. English and social studies classes sent cards and letters.

The air war began on a winter Wednesday evening — 7:14 P.M. It was 3 A.M. Thursday in Iraq. A ground was seemed to be the next step.

Most folks seemed unable to leave their televisions and radios. Something cataclysmic seemed imminent, and they listened with dread.

For a time, everyone seemed to be a like heart. The cheerleaders made banners, and individuals and clubs donated 500 pounds of books, games and snacks to the marines on the front line. Prayers were almost tangible.

The ground war broke out in an organized flurry. In less than 100 hours, it appeared to be an miraculous success. For a time, America thrived on the beauty of military expertise.

Slowly they came home. So far they've all made it back to Giles county — all the sons, and brothers, and daughters, and quiet ones who used to sit on the second row.

What a remarkable story. They were heroes, our heroes, all along, and for better or worse, our lives will never be the same.

A salute to America. Members of the VFW Post 311 raise the American Flag before the Giles/ Peterstown football game.



Tell ya' a secret.

aking some time out during a spring exam break, Mr. W.R. Johnston and Mrs. Anne Wheeler discuss their plans for the summer.







Carrying their weight.

hris Higgs, Mark Jones, and Wes
Randel keep up the annual tradition of
throwing Mr. Alan McGraw into the water
at the senior picnic.

It's a dirty job.

In the middle of a pile of trash, senior Karen Hudson cleans out her locker one last time. All students got out of sixth and seventh periods, and went by homerooms to clean out their lockers.





## Never Say Goodbye

hen the odds were stacked against a team, when the experts said, they wouldn't beat Peterstown or Narrows at Calfee; when the *Times* said the girls weren't favored to win, they never said, "We quit."

Instead, they played and they won.

When the state budget collapsed, and everywhere schools cut back programs and lowered standards, we never said, "We'll compromise our goals."

Instead, we persevered and were praised as an exceptional rural division.

When a student's home burned or a loved one died, we never said, "It's just too

Instead, we came together with money, understanding, and sympathy as a school family to help our friends.

When the war became a somewhat distant memory of rallys and sentimental patriotism to some, we never said, "It's over."

Not Giles county. We still flew flags and flaunted ribbons for our own who fought

When the class of 1991 walked arm in arm off the field that night, amid the tears and the laughter, we never said goodbye.

hree's Company!

hinking about their upcoming graduation, seniors Brian Pfister, Michele Huffman, and Stacy Morris look at the planned graduation events.



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imeless silhouette. he sun sets slowly behind the football field at the end of a soccer match against George Wythe.

Flippin' out!
ooling around as soon as they arrived at the senior picnic, Mary Lynn Greever, Paula Stone, and Michele Huffman head for the swings.

## NEVER AGAIN

t is so very curious what remains, after the fact. Never again will you hear the faces, the sounds, the jokes, the grand passion, now cooled by time.

How very odd that heart and mind will cling so stubbornly to these shining times, more so than all the other memories combined.

Memory has such strange taste in choosing the stones that will be polished into jewels. And after the last bell has rung, and school is out, perhaps once and for all, what treasures will you keep for yourself to ease the dark lonely days? What jewels of performance, victory, loyalty, or love will be yours to carry away from this sunlit realm of youth?

But never again will you live it, but always you will feel it, and forever you will remember it.

ne last time together.

nly moments after the graduation ceremonies
were over, Valen West and April Wilson, in their tearful
joy, pose for one last picture together.









